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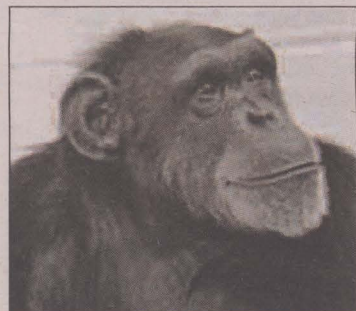
*Portable exhibit with memorial plans
to be displayed at local businesses*

by Kevin Opsahl
Staff reporter

A group of residents in Ellensburg and past and present faculty members of CWU want to find a way to remember Washoe, the former matriarch of the Chimpanzee Human Communication Institute (CHCI) family of chimpanzees.

The official form of the memorial or tribute has yet to be decided, but ideas have been discussed, according to Donna Nylander, director and writer for the Children's Musical Theatre in Ellensburg.

"When Washoe died, we all felt the heartache," Nylander said. "It was really something to know the [CHCI Co-Directors Rodger and Deborah] Fouts, who taught the first chimpanzee to use human sign language ... we needed to do something that paid some kind of tribute to Washoe."



from www.friendsofwashoe.org

Washoe Pan Satyrus, the deceased matriarch to Tatu, Loulis, Dar and Moja (also deceased).

Washoe Pan Satyrus was cross-fostered, meaning she was removed from her biological parents at birth and raised by surrogates. She was immersed in an American Sign Language (ASL) environment much like a child is immersed in a spoken language environment. She died of natural causes on Oct. 30, 2007, at the age of 42.

A traveling exhibit, put together by the anthropology department, will be passed around for display at various businesses in Ellensburg. It is designed to inform the community about the deceased chimp and help raise money for the future memorial.

The portable exhibit will be presented to the city council and Ellensburg-area businesses in June, where it will hopefully be displayed in detail in the fall.

"There are people that live in Ellensburg and come to Ellensburg that really don't know much about her," Nylander said. "We want people to have a higher appreciation for Washoe ... our community is actually benefitting from [Central's studies]."

Andy Granitto, curator of exhibits and programs at the Yakima Valley Museum and adjunct professor at CWU, is assisting anthropology students with the portable exhibit in a museum exhibit design class. This "exhibit" will include pictures and information about Washoe, ASL and the CHCI.

"We're surveying the public to just get a sense of how much they really know about Washoe," Granitto said. "I think [committee members] see our class as a way that will not only help them with their efforts toward the memorial, but market the Chimposium."

The committee consists of people who were close to Washoe or contribute to the CHCI, including Nylander; Professor Emeritus in physical education Jean Putman; Barbara Bicchieri, professor of anthropology and committee secretary; Jerry Williams, owner of Jerrol's Book and Supply Company and Charlotte Tullos, CWU vice president of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management and committee chairwoman.

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SHADOW OF FORMER SELF



photos by Pete Los/Observer

Above: carpeting, doors and other debris pile up behind Muzzall Hall as demolition efforts continue from the inside out. External demolition for Courson Hall is scheduled for June 14, while Muzzall is set to come down in July.

Right: a view of the Muzzall entry room, where the doors and carpeting have been stripped. The elevator shaft, which is just visible on the right, has been completely emptied.



Performer's story heads awareness week

by Kristen Poole
Special to The Observer

Central Washington University dedicated the week of May 2 through May 7 to disability awareness. The institution provided free events, speakers and movies to educate the community about obstacles faced by those who live with disabilities.

The club Access, Belonging, Learning, and Equality (ABLE) sponsored deaf performer Patricia "Trix" Bruce as part of Disability Awareness Week, to interpret the life of a deaf person among the hearing world.

Bruce gave an hour-long performance telling stories of her life; stories about being deaf and of her struggles growing up.

"I like to show how deaf culture has colored my life and show that we have more in common than [the audience] may think,"

Bruce said.

An interpreter voiced the theatrical acting of Bruce, a slide show behind the performers took the audience through captivating and emotional stories about a young Bruce growing and developing into deaf life.

ABLE President Dina Slim, sophomore undeclared, introduced the event by explaining that the goal of ABLE and Disability Awareness Week is to provide a friendly environment for people with disabilities both on campus and in the community, and to advocate needs and support for students with disabilities.

Slim wanted students to keep an open mind and check out future events put on by ABLE.

Bruce's stories were told enthusiastically and humorously as she was not afraid to hold back her most embarrassing moments as result of being deaf.

One story took place when Bruce was a child:

she was allowed to ride her bike in the driveway, but never allowed to play in or cross the street.

Bruce, who considered herself a mischievous child, noticed her mother was not watching her, so she charged down the street, all the while being completely oblivious to a semi truck coming in behind her.

She then turned around to find her mother red in the face, sprinting after her.

"I guess I was a handful, now that I am a mother, I am realizing the terror I put my mother through," Bruce said.

Taylor Whitlock, junior business major, attended the event to gain extra credit for a class. Initially, Whitlock wasn't excited about spending an hour at the event, and hoped it would wrap up quickly.

"I wanted to go home and do homework," Whitlock said.

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Sean Guffey/Observer

*“A Horseman should know
neither fear, nor anger.”*

-James Rarey

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Hungering for total relief

Event brings focus to poverty, security

by Matthew Hartmann
Staff reporter



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The Civic Engagement Center (CEC) kicked off Total Relief Week — May 12 through May 16 — in an effort to raise awareness and action about the importance of issues such as poverty, hunger and food security.

According to Sherry Guderjohn, service-learning fellow and senior sociology major, it is important for students to take notice of situations such as Darfur, to recognize what happens when security is compromised. The prices of food in Darfur have skyrocketed, and for as long as the conflict continues, it is believed that of hunger levels will continue to rise.

Bread for the World, a group that manages food banks that send food to malnourished people across the globe, states that more than 850 million people are impoverished to the point of starvation.

Additionally, more than 16,000 children die each day from hunger. It is statistics such as these that Total Relief Week intends to bring to the attention of students.

Total Relief Week is also focuses on issues of hunger that are much closer to the local community. It does this through an "Immersion Excursion," in which 15 students spend a day volunteering at the Union Gospel Mission in Yakima this Friday, May 16. Volunteers will serve two meals at the Mission and then spend a few hours at a youth center for high-risk teenagers.

Another activity that is taking place is a canned food and toiletry drive outside of the C-Store in the Student Union and Recreation Center. Items collected will be shipped to FISH food bank.

Fast for awareness

by Allie Mathis
Staff reporter

This week, students participated in a 30-hour fast to symbolize food shortages locally and around the world.

"This event is important on a variety of levels," said Lorinda Anderson, director of the Civic Engagement Center (CEC). "It is crucial that we have the opportunity to fast ourselves and get a shallow understanding of how it feels to be hungry, and reflect on that."

Student volunteers hoped the fast would open the eyes of people, unaware of these issues.

"People will get a different perspective after this event," said Sherry Guderjohn, service-learning fellow and senior sociology major. "We hope students saw this and will go and do something about it after."

The fast, which included more than 400 participants, not only worked as a reminder to Central students that there are people across the world without enough food, but also people as close as their own community Ellensburg.

"We want to highlight the issues with food insecurity, locally and globally," Guderjohn said. "It's a big issue; there are people in our own community that don't know where their next meal is."

Other students such as Shavonne Belford took part in the fast to show their gratitude that they are not going hungry as many in the world are.

"A lot of us take it for granted that we can go to bed with our stomach bursting with food," Belford said.

This event hits home as well.

"Fifty percent of children at Mt. Stuart Elementary School qualify for assist-

ed lunch programs," Anderson said. "And we are a piece of the solution."

Not only do people involved with the 30-hour fast want to raise local hunger awareness, but awareness of this issue in other parts of the world where hunger exists due to events such as natural disasters or war.

"We can also relate this event to the work being done in Myanmar, and the issues that surround that area," Anderson said. "There are thousands around the world that do not have food security, and we need to take action."

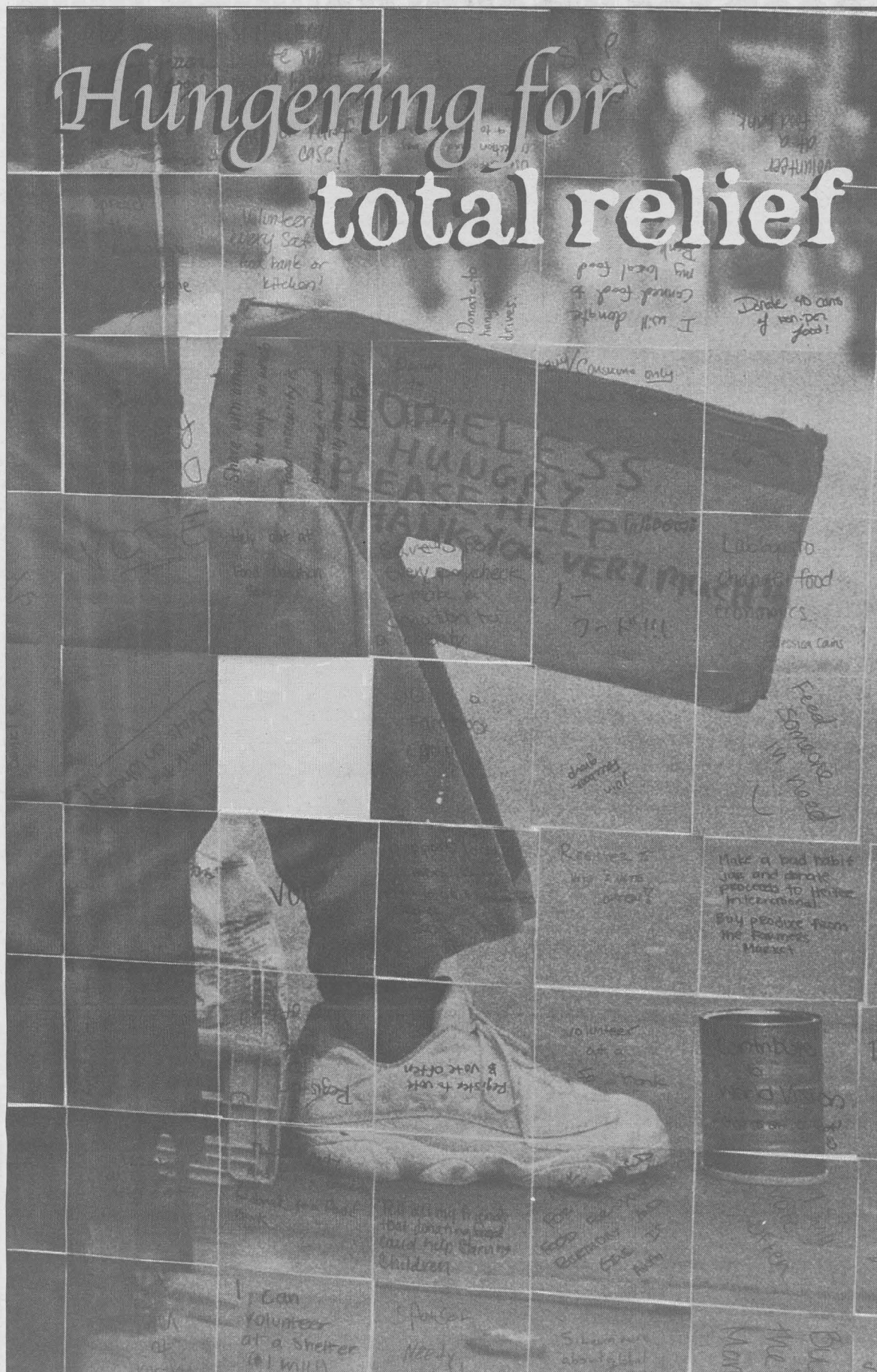
Following the 30-hour fast, students joined for an "After the Fast" discussion where they discussed their experiences with the fast and issues for which they were raising awareness. The event was discounted and students were encouraged to bring friends.

"After the Fast" is a time to reflect why exactly we fasted," Guderjohn said. "Sometimes you can get clouded about why you fasted and we have to drive home the message."

The fast kicked off Total Relief Week, which included other activities encouraging student involvement, and raising awareness regarding global hunger issues.

Many future activities that raise awareness and other important issues involving our community and world in the future will be put on by the CEC. These issues involve other hunger awareness, community youth, blood drives, fair trade and countless others.

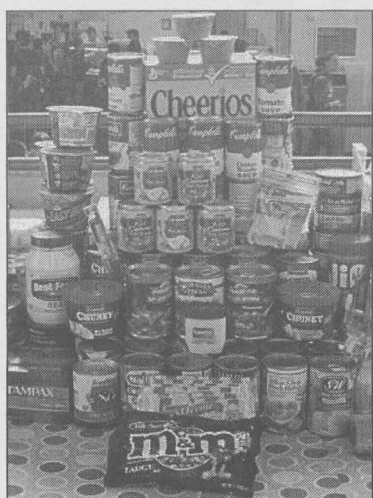
For more information about Total Relief Week or to help in future activities, visit the Civic Engagement Center in the SURC room 256 B. Their Web site can be accessed at <http://takeactioncwu.com/>.



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Above: A poster for Total Relief Week depicts a homeless man begging for change.

Left: Canned food and toiletries are collected to be sent to the FISH food bank. All week, students are encouraged to use extra money on their meal plans to buy supplies for the needy.



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Students spare time, cash for weekly Bowling Club

by Sarah Hazel
Staff reporter

Whether students are experienced bowlers or have never bowled before, the CWU bowling club and varsity team offers discounts on travel expenses and on game rates at Rodeo Bowl.

Currently, some students don't go to Rodeo Bowl because they believe that the prices are too high.

"I remember when I first went there that they gave us our stuff up front, and then we paid later," Carrie Potter, junior English major, said. "We were all really surprised after two games that it cost so much."

The rate for one game at Rodeo Bowl is \$3.25, but with a CWU Bowling Club membership card, the rate drops to \$2.25 per game.

According to Mike Allenby, owner of Rodeo Bowl, the bowling alley does not receive any compensation for the discounts that the business offers bowling club members.

Their goal in offering the discount is to support CWU and to encourage students to participate in the club.

There are also discounts on travel expenses, but in order for students to receive those, they must be on the varsity team.

According to Amy Friedt, secretary of the Bowling Club, the team members are chosen based on the highest averages.

The seven club members with the highest averages overall make the team.

"If you're on the team, we do a lot of fundraising," Friedt said. "So you get a lot

Want to join?

Students interested in joining can stop by practice from 4 to 6 p.m. on Mondays or 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays at Rodeo Bowl, or contact the coach, Scottie Fulp, at 253-229-1841.

of discounted travel [expenses]. We don't fly very much; we drive a lot, so it's a lot cheaper than some of the other clubs."

In addition to discounted travel expenses, the club pays the entry fee for each tournament.

The Bowling Club varsity team has been to many destinations in the past including Reno, Las Vegas and San Jose.

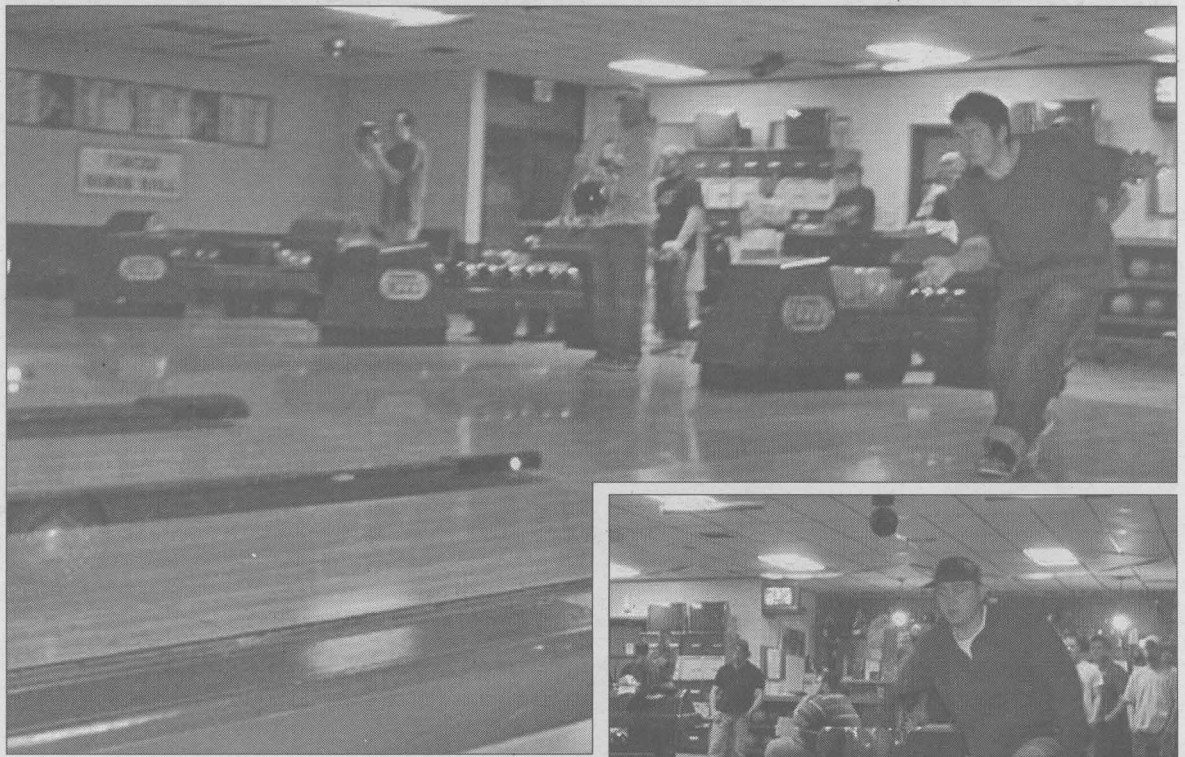
Another perk of the club, according to Friedt, is the attendance leniency.

Representatives of the club understand that students have other obligations, and are happy to accommodate for scheduling conflicts.

"You don't have to feel obligated to be there," Friedt said. "We like that there are people there each week, but if you have other pressing matters [such as] homework, school, or work, whatever, you don't have to come [weekly]. It's not required."

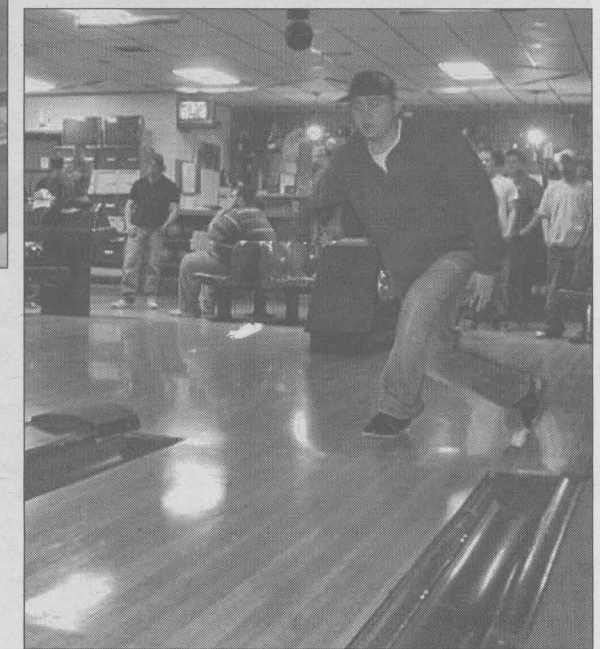
Previous experience is also not required to join the club. According to Friedt, the club welcomes students who have never bowled before.

"If you've never picked up a bowling ball ... we will teach you the basics and then we'll work with you from there," Friedt said.



Paulino Rios (above) and Mike Willer (right) from out of town participate in league night at the Rodeo Bowl during winter quarter.

The Bowling Club on campus offers discounted rates of \$2.25 per game for members.



photos by Pete Los/Observer

PERFORMANCE: Week long event help students bridge the gap

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After Bruce was done with her performance, Whitlock admitted to finding great value in the entire event.

"I wish more people would have come to gain this experience, she opened my eyes that deaf people are no different than any of us," Whitlock said. "I would do it again, not just to receive extra credit."

Whitlock described a story that touched him emotionally.

The story about Bruce visiting fellow deaf friend, David, across the country, only to find out that he had

just passed away.

David's roommates had been trying to contact her.

Because she is deaf and cannot use a phone, they were unsuccessful.

When she arrived, David's roommates told her that he was in love with her, and this news broke her heart.

"These stories cut the ties between people with disabilities and the normal, opening my eyes to our similarities," Whitlock said.

President, cabinet foster student communication

by Chloe Robbins
Asst. News editor

Central President Jerilyn McIntyre and her cabinet members held their spring quarter Fireside Chat Monday night. The meeting's purpose was for students to ask questions of the university.

In attendance were Dr. Charlotte Tullos, vice president for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management; Ellen Hall, in-term vice president for University Relations; Rich Corona, vice president for Business and Financial Affairs; Elizabeth Street, chief planning officer; Tracy Pellett, associate vice president for Undergraduate Studies; and an audience of approximately 25 students and staff.

Daily Record

Concern was expressed over the loss of the Daily Record at Central.

"I really value the Record's local stories and the editorial page," Aja Woodrow, a graduate student in biology, said. "They have ideas people usually aren't exposed to."

McIntyre said that the subscription was not cancelled, but would no longer come out of the president's budget.

Woodrow suggested that the school lower the subscription amount.

"It's just such a waste," Woodrow said.

Retail Ellensburg

As a major concern of the city, "big box" retail is a subject of debate for the university, as well. The ASCWU-BOD brought up the question of whether or not the university should push the city in one direction or another.

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AJA WOODROW,
BIOLOGY GRADUATE STUDENT

"It's a real lightning rod of discussion," Tullos said.

The student government regularly attends city council meetings that cover retail.

Derrick Peacock, ASCWU/BOD vice president of equity and community services aid that there should be a resolution in the next couple of weeks or months over adding a Target, Kohl's, Ross and Old Navy to the city.

"Right now it's not looking too optimistic," Peacock said. "Parking's a big issue."

Central Transit

Central Transit shuts down at midnight, which is about the time some students are coming home from weekend activities. Campus Police Chief Steve Rittereiser said that a survey was conducted with students and the result was that the transit was needed in the mornings and evenings until 11.

HopeSource is also trying not to intrude on the taxi company's business

as well. Rittereiser said he has talked to the owner of the business and suggested bigger vehicles for weekend transport.

"It's important ... to talk about this as a community problem," Rittereiser said. "I certainly want to talk to more students about this."

Freedom of speech

After the fallout of last quarter's Gilchrist speech, the university has had a problem trying to balance freedom of speech with civility on campus.

The cabinet said that they are trying to make some definite guidelines for any public speeches or demonstrations.

So far, they include having a moderator, not videotaping and having a definitive plan for the question and answer session.

"We are in the process of looking at groups who come to campus and they might need to follow our guidelines," Tullos said. "[If they do not,] we would have the right to refuse their presence."

Section 1.3 of the university policy manual also has guidelines for speeches and protests.

Other issues briefly discussed were the following:

- Scholarships for students with disabilities or health care bills, for which information should be available online, according to Pellett.

- The effect of the economy on the university's budget, which is that universities are becoming more competitive, according to McIntyre.

- The progress of Dean Hall's renovation, which should be finished some time during fall quarter, according to Corona.

- The athletic department fee increase, which was voted down.

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Students debate over coed rooms on campus

By Mimi Oh
Staff reporter

We're just friends; we just happen to be of the opposite sex. One hears this refrain from students who wish to room with another student of the opposite sex in University Housing.

"My general thoughts on it are that I can understand them wanting to keep boy and girl roommates separate in the residence halls, but in the apartments, the living environment is so different," said Derrick Peacock, ASCWU-BOD vice president of equity and community service. "People who get apartments are a little older, more mature. If you look at the apartments, you can live together with anyone you want to off campus."

Peacock says that Ellensburg's social climate influences University Housing's policy, which requires documentation of marriage, or other perceived stable arrangements for mixed-gender arrangements.

Further, Peacock believes that this ban is sexist and hypocritical, especially concerning gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender students.

Housing Director Richard DeShields explains that Central's housing policy is similar to those of other Washington State public universities. The reasons for the policy include space constraints on already long apartment waiting lists, safety concerns, desire to support a smoother transition to college, student and community concerns and the need to act fairly when assigning housing. He says that the administration guides many housing policies.

Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management Charlotte Tullos prefers not to comment as of yet, citing

Western Washington University



No coed rooming is allowed.

There is also no requirement for students to live on campus for any amount of time.

Central Washington University



No coed rooming is allowed.

Freshmen students under the age of 20 are required to live on campus their first year.

Eastern Washington University



Brewster Hall allows coed suites in fall. The majority of applicants are all of the same gender and chose Brewster because they wanted to live with friends.

Louise Anderson Hall has a unisex bathroom but same gender rooms.

Dryden Hall has one floor with a single, unisex bathroom due to structural issues rather than a more progressive gender rooming policy.

How does Central compare?

that dialogue is in the beginning stages. DeShields also said that dialogue has begun and that in previous years, some students requested a policy change.

DeShields explained that many parents are concerned about safety issues related to gender. He said students also bring up this concern. Finally, he says that coed rooming creates a housing pressure on the university. He used an admittedly extreme example of a possible result of coed rooming of an 18-year-old woman being assigned to a room with a 40-year-old man.

"There is a different feeling of perceived safety between men and women," DeShields said. "Even same-gender roommates with big age differences get these problems, so mixed gender could exacerbate these issues. What happens if you assign a man and a woman together and the woman has a boyfriend? So, does that cause rifts? And again, you would get that in the gay community, as well. You couldn't win. ... I think that students know that we're trying to work with them."

Currently there are no policy changes being discussed for Student Village South.

Eastern Washington University (EWU) is allowing coed rooms and suites starting this fall in Brewster Hall. Three to four students will each have their own single room and share a bathroom and living room. EWU assistant director of residential life Steven Bertram says that Brewster Hall is a testing grounds of sorts for any proposed changes in the traditional residence halls.

"This is a good opportunity for someone who may be transgender to also live in a housing facility that may be more conducive to them, with people they are more comfortable with," Bertram said. "Typically, they know their friends that they'll be sharing a suite with."

The policy change was not difficult to physically implement, according to EWU campus housing assignments staff Melanie Duggan. Duggan says that the trend is for a decreasing need of family housing. EWU room assignments coordinator Misty Griffiths said she did not

think housing space constraints would negatively interact with a policy allowing coed rooms and suites.

Western Washington University (WWU) housing assignment coordinator Kim Cunningham says that roommate conflicts are not gender specific or limited to heterosexual students.

DeShields mentions that female students make the majority of requests to live in single-gender housing. Further, the female-only LLC Green Hall has one of the highest return rates. DeShields believes that the majority of requests come from females because of safety concerns.

Junior special education major and Chi Alpha member Jennifer Palmer lives in Stephens-Whitney and does not take issue with the policy. She does not believe women and men should live together before marriage. Engaged couples living together also risk complications if their relationship does not progress to marriage, Palmer said.

"It poses an unnecessary temptation," said Palmer. "I think marriage

should be the rule."

Diversity Education Center Program Coordinator Djordje Popovic, Student Programmer Natalie Washington and Equity and Services Council Representative for GALA John Simons approached the issue with GLBT student issues in mind. They point out that students are adults.

"No, it would not be OK to require a certificate of marriage [across the board if gay marriage were legalized]. It would be a public outing ... in a society where some jobs don't allow you to be openly gay," said Washington.

Popovic says that marriage is a bourgeois institution and that in America, there is a false perception that a male and female cannot relate to each other non-sexually.

Concern about the effects on alumni relations came up several times. Some alumni at schools that now allow coed roommates may be concerned about the kind of message that their alma mater is sending to the community.

On GLBT issues, university housing elicited two main perspectives. One perspective is that if documentation is required to show a long term relationship, then the requirement should be uniformly applied. The other view is that there should be no requirement at all, and that such a requirement demeans students.

Parental concern and possible interference have been mentioned at Central, Western and Eastern. DeShields said that Central's policies are not static and that change is very likely in the coming years. Central evaluates family apartment requests on an individual basis, and does not have students identify their sexual orientation.

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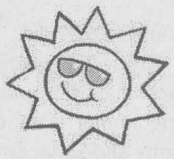
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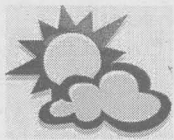
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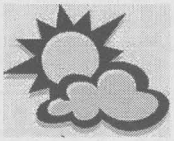
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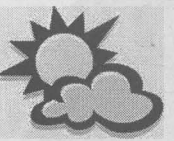
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Central's wine program nation's leader

by Natalie West
Special to the Observer

Washington State is now America's second largest producer of wine, next to California, with a level of quality that rivals any of its "old world" competitors.

As the Washington wine industry becomes more acknowledged internationally, Washington winemakers are constantly working to improve the quality of their product, hoping to leave the traditionally great wines of France, Italy, and Germany behind.

As a reflection of that attitude wine industry continues to expand, colleges across the state have begun developing wine education programs in hopes of advancing the market further.

Central Washington University, an established leader in wine education and research, according to Congressman Doc Hastings, recently received \$191,600 in state funding to finance their World Wine Program.

The leader of this program, Amy Mumma, has also earned the title of "International Wine Woman of the Year" three years in a row.

"I was looking for a place to create a

wine education program and discovered that Central was very cutting edge," Mumma said.

Mumma credits the success of Central's wine program to the institution's "forward thinking" and the immense support of the administration and student body.

Yakima Valley Community College also has made significant investments in their Vineyard and Winery Technology program. The school's new state of the art teaching facility is consid-

is optimistic about the future of the program.

The expansive, desert-like terrain of Eastern Washington in many ways resembles the landscape of the world-renown vineyards in Europe. Since the early 1900s, Washingtonians have been

was when wines from Washington State began winning wine tasting contests in France that things started to really take off."

In 1976, two wines from Washington State, a Cabernet Sauvignon and a Chardonnay, both produced by Chateau Ste Michelle, competed against the best French wines and won first place in their respective categories.

As Northwest wines began to earn international respect, the demand for these wines skyrocketed.

In 1981, there were a mere 19 wineries in the state. By 2006 there were as many as 460, with the number increasing almost weekly.

Washington State depends heavily on its vineyards and wineries, not merely for respect worldwide, but economic success.

Therefore, it is crucial that State colleges and universities continue to advance wine education programs in order to improve the quality and competitiveness of Washington wine and the industry.

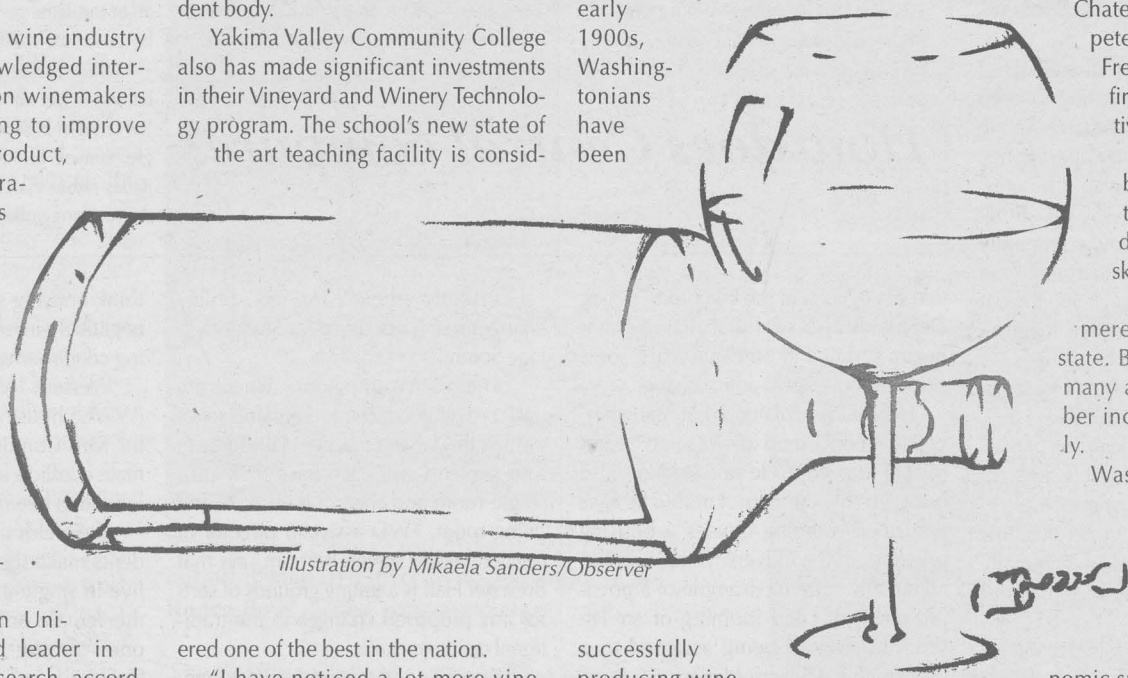


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ered one of the best in the nation.

"I have noticed a lot more vineyards popping up, which has created a need for more educated workers. That's where we come in," said Trent Ball, an instructor in YVCC's wine education program.

The wine program at YVCC began in 2007 with 12 students and continues to expand. Based on the initial success of YVCC's wine program, Professor Ball

successfully producing wine.

However, it was not until the late 1970s, that the state's winemakers were recognized internationally.

"The astronomical growth of the industry can be attributed to its growing popularity overseas," said Susan O'Hara, founder of Wines Northwest, an online guide for wine enthusiasts. "It

Stopping molesters through awareness

by Barbara Owens
Copy editor

Chances are everyone knows a child molester. Chances are everyone knows at least one of their victims.

One out of every 20 men has molested a child, according to a parent and community workshop held last month in Cle Elum.

The Kittitas County Sheriff's Office has teamed up with county school districts and a number of other organizations to get the word out about child molesters.

They are taking a unique approach with the seminars they offer, presenting advice from the enemies themselves — convicted child molesters.

The workshops are conducted every two months around the county and present attendees with sobering statistics.

Each year 300,000 cases of child sexual abuses are reported nationwide. According to a parent workshop held at the Cle Elum/Roslyn Walter Strom Middle School.

Presenters included Kittitas County Prosecuting Attorney Greg Zempel, Marti Miller of the Division of Child and Family Services (DSHS), and Ellensburg Police Detective Drew Houck.

To put the number of nationwide reports in perspective, Zempel broke down the figure by state.

"One hundred forty school bus loads of children in our state alone. Those are just the ones that report it," Zempel said.

One out of four girls and one out of nine boys will be sexually abused; children aged 7 through 9 are most commonly targeted, Zempel said.

Perhaps the scariest of all is that only about three to 10 percent of offenders are caught, according to the presentation. This means there are potentially as much as 9.7 million child molesters living unpunished in the United States.

As for Kittitas County, there are currently 73 registered sex offenders,

including three level III offenders, according to the Sheriff's Web site.

Even when sex offenders do get caught, odds are it wasn't their first crime.

According to the presentation, sex offenders average 120 sexual crimes before they are actually caught.

Everyone probably knows a child molester not only because of the high number of offenders, but also because they typically have some sort of access to your child, Miller said.

This includes relatives, youth workers, step-parents and acquaintances or friends of parents. Only 5 percent of offenders are strangers to the victim and family, Miller said.

Despite all the odds seemingly stacked against families, there are ways to protect children. All three presenters urged attendees not to ignore warning signs.

For instance, if someone seems too good to be true when it comes to bonding with a child, then parents should be suspicious. Always be aware of those spending time with your children. Know your neighbors and interview sitters.

"It is never ever the victim's fault," Zempel said.

The presenters also stressed how important it is for parents to talk to their children about sexual abuse much like they would about drug use. Incorporate it into a "safety talk" and review it three to four times a year.

"It's our responsibility to protect children because they cannot protect themselves," Houck said. "This is beyond their comprehension."

More than 1,000 flyers were sent home with students throughout Kittitas County to notify parents about the workshop.

There was also an article printed in the Daily Record and the Cle Elum Tribune and a public service announcement aired on KXLE. There were only approximately 30 people in attendance at Walter Strom Middle School.

Michelle Modica, a Cle Elum resident and mother of one, attended the seminar.

"I was surprised about the statistics," Modica said. "[The offender is] not the creepy Joe down the road, but someone close to you."

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City

News from throughout the Kittitas County and Ellensburg community

Maintenance costs reason for demolitions

by Curtis Crabtree
Sports editor

A commercial office building and dilapidated house located on the corner of East Third Avenue and North Anderson Street were demolished last Thursday morning by Reecer Creek Excavating.

The buildings, owned by Jim Huie of Mercer Island, used to house the Tiki Tattoo parlor and the Central Washington Driving School. According to Huie, the buildings continued to be occupied on a limited basis for the last year.

"[The buildings] were in disrepair," Huie said. "It would have been more costly to try to get them back into shape. The ongoing maintenance was pretty high and it just wasn't worth it to keep putting money in to try and maintain them."

City Manager Ted Barkley and Michael Smith, senior planner of community development, were surprised to see nothing but churned up earth and debris where the former buildings once stood.

"When I saw the buildings were being destroyed, I had to come down and check that they had the proper permits and everything, which they did," Smith said.

The process of securing a permit includes going through the city's building department and city department to

"The ongoing maintenance was pretty high and it just wasn't worth it."

JIM HUIE, BUILDING OWNER

make sure that the gas, water, electric and other services are shut off as well as checking to see if the building has historical significance that would hinder demolition.

The neighbors are then notified of the work, and the crew is responsible for keeping the site watered down to minimize dust that is sent skyward.

"The permit was probably issued three months ago," Smith said. "There is no public hearing on the matter, it's all done administratively."

According to Smith, the property is a residential office zone which allows for either small commercial buildings or residential structures.

"I think that we may eventually redevelop some commercial buildings or possibly some residential buildings," Huie said. However, Huie said that he had no specific plans for development of the property as of now.



Jessica Liddle/Observer

Demolition crews water down dust to lower debris from chunks taken out of an Ellensburg office building. The house, located behind it, was demolished the next day. The owner cited maintenance costs for the work.

WASHOE: New memorial pays tribute to legacy of Central's lost friend

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"I was extremely interested in the work of the Fouts and volunteered as a docent in 1992, the year CHCI was opened to the public thru the Chimposiums," Putnam said on the reason to join the committee. "She [Washoe] and her family taught me a great deal about compassion, intelligence, and all the other indications that allow us to believe in them as beings worth valuing."

Washoe was brought to the United States from Africa for the Air Force, and Drs. Allen and Beatrix Gardner took her under their wing for their research at the University of Nevada Reno in Washoe County.

In 1967, they established Project Washoe to teach the chimp ASL.

Washoe met Roger and Deborah Fouts, friends of the Gardners, in 1967 and moved with them to the University of Oklahoma in 1970.

Washoe came with them to Central in 1980.

Nylander says the future memorial is not just a tribute to Washoe, but to the Fouts, who have garnered "international

respect" for their work with primates.

Fouts taught sign language to them and had a reported vocabulary of about 250 words.

Washoe is survived by three younger chimps: Loulis, Tatu and Dar, who lived with her at the CHCI. According to Deborah Fouts, CHCI co-director, Washoe has not been replaced and her siblings are still trying to adjust to her being gone.

The committee is interested in having as much involvement in this project as possible.

Students who wish to participate in a potential Washoe tribute should submit their name, contact information, major or minor, any relevant information about themselves, and what skills or interests they would be willing to share.

According to Nylander, much of the concentrated involvement will take place in the summer and go into next year.



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Opinion

Observance: Total Relief Week

"For those about to fast, we salute you"

I'm certainly proud of the many efforts that we Central students go through to make a statement to target audiences here or anywhere else in the world.

The Movimiento and its message to increase efforts to diversify campus through placing pressure on the administration, is an excellent recent example.

However, I think some efforts get a little lost in translation.

Take this month's Total Relief Week, for example. It's a wonderful effort to get the message of, according to the Civic Engagement Center's Web site, "raising awareness and encouraging



Frank Stanley
Editor-in-Chief

action toward the relief of poverty and hunger on a local and global scale."

To some degree, however, participants and coordinators alike seem to get a little too caught up in the idea.

Now, in no way am I saying that Total Relief Week is a bad idea and wrong statements are being made, but some of the events (or event, in this case), to me, are a bit of a reach.

The food and toiletry drive is an excellent idea, as is the immersion excursion; both offer great volunteer opportunities and service to the communities they assist, be it here in Ellensburg or at the community kitchen in Yakima, where the excursion is taking place.

The 30-Hour Fast, however, is where things get a bit frightening for me.

As I said before: I'm not saying that a fast is a stupid idea, but it confounds me that there are peo-

ple out there willing to endure fasting when there are other ways to be just as "productive."

Sure, it's an additional way – and a clever one at that – to raise awareness of the plight of those without the same opportunities that most of us have, but there are some real interesting issues that I find here.

I guess the most interesting way to consider the problem would be like this: if you were standing in front of an impoverished family in a third world country and said, "Hello, we understand your hardships and to show you that we are aware and we honor your struggle, we will hold a fast of our own." How would they react?

I'm sure that local translations of "that's nonsense," "why would you do something like that," and "you idiot," would suffice. However, it's not something that should stop people from continuing.

Another thing I find rather

humorous comes from the provided informational brochure that comes with signing up for the fast. Last year, one point read along the lines of: "If you feel weak, dizzy or short of breath, seek immediate medical attention."

Apparently, I was wrong to think "stop and eat something" would be a reasonable option, as well.

Not to mention that most of the people we are "honoring" don't have the same access to such services.

This has since changed, I am aware of that, along with several new measures to keep people safe. I think the Civic Engagement Center for taking the proper steps this time.

Regardless, I am in awe of everyone's ambition and willingness to pull such a stunt. I did it once – junior year – and that was enough.

Those of you that have gone on and repeated the feat for multiple years, I applaud your strength.

I'm reminded of my senior year

in high school, more specifically the graduation ceremony.

The teacher selected to speak told us to literally, stop being so active in the community.

"Lose some of the ambition and learn how to relax" were his exact words to us, but I say "stay the course."

So long as there is something out there to bring into the spotlight, there's a reason, no matter how small, to take a stand.

Even then, we all need to ensure our own safety. Also, we must ensure the safety of others; realizing that we cannot force opinion – just a disclaimer for the radicals out there.

So continue making that statement and continue putting out the effort; let's just not starve ourselves to death in doing it.

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The Weekly Sudoku

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From Daily SuDoku Online

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Dude, where's my keys?

A couple of weeks ago, I mistakenly locked my keys in my car. Ordinarily, this wouldn't really be a big deal; it happens to everyone.

The only problem was that it was 2 a.m. Sunday morning after carting my friends home from the bars. As a female, the feeling of being by myself in a dark parking lot was not comforting.

Fortunately, I do have one friend that wasn't intoxicated, or at least was sober enough to come to my rescue. The amazing part was the fact that he woke up from my phone call. This friend in particular, is not known for his ability to wake up on cue.

Since the incident, I visited the campus police Web site to check out their



Chelsea Krotzer
News editor

policies and procedures. The first recommendation by the site is to call KITTCOM after hours when people are locked out of their cars.

Instead, I called up my friend, and through the fog and confusion, he assured me he would be there soon. So, I hunkered down next to my car that was safe, sound and locked up tight; another one of the tips provided on the campus police Web site. Mine was locked up, with my keys, just chilling in my cup holder.

As I was waiting for my friend to ride in and save the day, I began to pace. I was parked under a streetlight in front of the SURC. The campus police site boasts of high intensity lighting available on campus, which is appreciated, until you're alone. There's nothing like a giant light to point out that fact. Insert creepy horror film scenario here.

Luckily, it wasn't long before my friend rolled up in his rickety rust bucket of a car. Normally, one would be

annoyed, embarrassed or appalled by the loud noises and noxious fumes that radiated from his car. In this instance, it was music to my ears.

He brought a wire hanger, which found its way through my window and down to my lock without a scratch. The whole process took 30 minutes.

Another point I found interesting on the campus police Web site: they urge students and staff to notify the police if there are any suspicious activities on campus. I would guess that we looked pretty suspicious breaking into my own car.

I'm sure campus police is doing a fine job, but there are only 12 officers on staff at all times and they can't be everywhere at once. I just hope that next time I am absent minded and lock my keys in my car, that KITTCOM is in my phone or my friend wakes up again.

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Novel urges expanding minds

For those interested in the spiritual and extraterrestrial side of life, the novel "Journey to Ixtlan" explains the cosmic connection with life we can all obtain.

Without looking deep into space, this articulate story shows readers the deeper side of life by using raw nature and each other to expand the mind.

By breaking down all of our predilections, we can re-learn what is all around, forming new opinions while expanding the size of the Earth.

The story is based on encounters between author Carlos Castaneda and shamanistic Yaqui Indian warrior don Juan Matus. Castaneda expected to pay



Charlie Wainger
Copy editor

don Juan for information on psychotropic plants, wisdom and how to become a hunter and warrior. Instead, he fell more involved in the adventure than ever expected.

Matus takes Castaneda, an anthropologist, as his apprentice and friend. Between the late 60s and early 70s, Castaneda journeys through the mountains, chaparrals and countryside of northern Mexico with Matus, learning of his wisdom and performing several mind-altering and mind-opening tasks.

The first teachings start slow. Matus explains how curling one's fingers in a half fist while walking allows one to travel further and faster.

While traveling, one should never carry supplies in hand but always in a bag or sack, carried on the back or over the shoulder.

Don Juan subjects Carlos to the beneficial effects that psychotropic plants have on one's world. Between

the mitotes (gatherings of people taking peyote), and searching for allies, Castaneda is broken down and built back up right in front of the reader.

Castaneda's naive approach to the teachings of don Juan is what makes the story so compelling. Especially for myself, who had no idea of the teachings of don Juan until I picked up this hardback. I was learning right beside Castaneda and, in a way, I was just as naive.

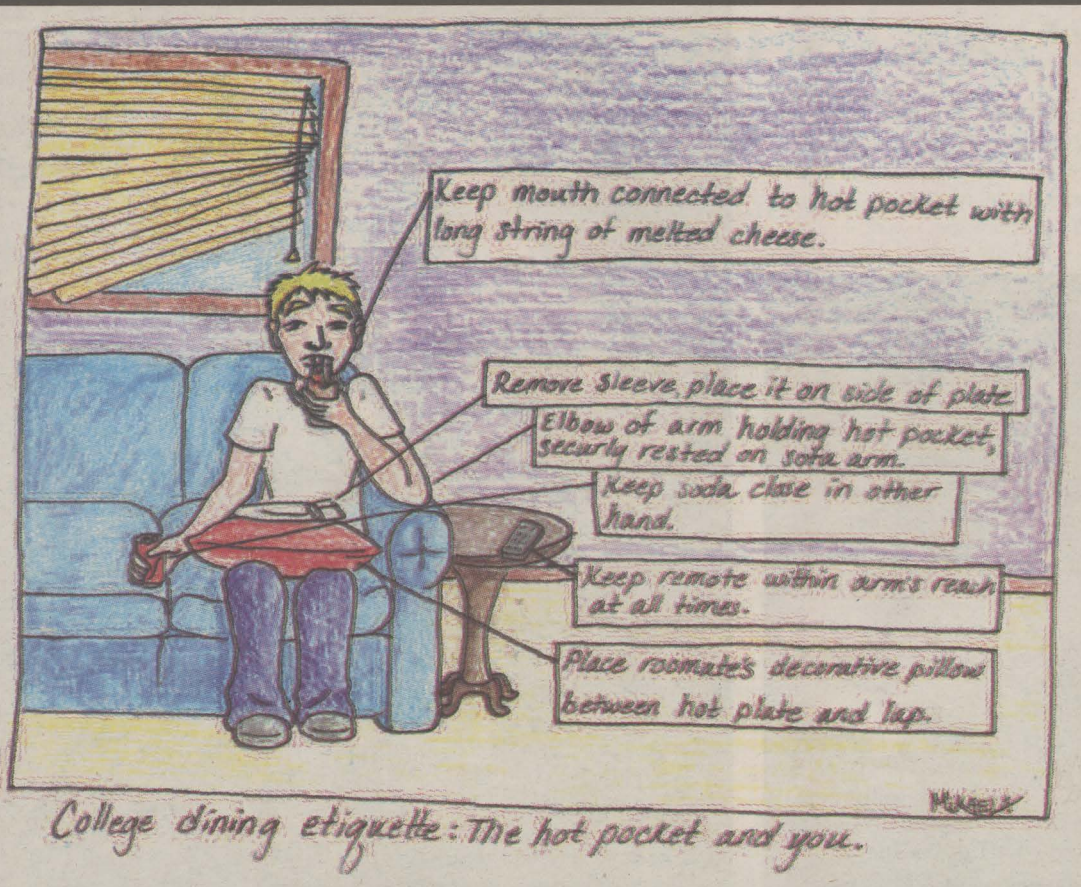
To see how Castaneda takes to his final task, the story must be read with great concentration, something that seems easier to do as the story carries on.

Following on up the teachings of don Juan Matus is "A Separate Reality" and "The Teachings of Don Juan," also by Carlos Castaneda.

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The Artist's Eye...

by Mikaela Sanders



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Large family prospers through love and faith

When looking to the future, young people usually envision starting families. As college students, a select few already have children. For others, it tends to be in their "ten-year plan."

Some hope for just one. Others hope for three or four. Regardless, most have some idea of how many times they want to hear or say the words "we're having a baby."

Last week, just in time for Mother's Day, Jim Bob and Michelle Duggar announced with smiles on the TODAY Show, "we're expecting!"

The nation watched as their 17 other children reacted to the news. The Duggar children range in ages from nine months to 20 years old.

I think many share with me in wondering, "what on earth possesses someone to have 18 children?"

The Duggar's credit their love of children to their faith. The couple got married when Michelle was 17 and Jim Bob was 19.



Melanie Lockhart
Scene editor

Michelle, now age 41, was on birth control for the first four years of their marriage before the couple decided to have their first child. She went back on the pill, but ended up pregnant anyway.

After a miscarriage, which the couple believes was caused by the pill, Michelle and Jim Bob decided to pray for as many children as God would grant them.

With No. 18 due on New Year's Day, the Duggar's have no intention of stopping.

My first thought when I heard their story was about how they can afford such a large family. I have seen many stories of large families who live off welfare and community donations. I feel very strongly about people having multiple children knowing they can't afford it.

However, the Duggar's are a unique case. Rather than making me cringe in disbelief, I found myself smiling and being happy for them.

Jim Bob and Michelle are both real estate agents. Jim Bob is a former state legislator who served in the Arkansas House of Representatives.

The family built their own home — all 7,000 square feet of it.

Their kitchen is huge, with two of almost

everything. Then they also have an industrial kitchen with four ovens, two griddles, four freezers, two refrigerators, two sinks, a pizza oven, a deep fryer, a popcorn machine and a drink counter complete with a soda dispenser of Coke products.

They have an entertainment room with pool and foosball tables, arcade games, lockers, a slide, a row of computers, and an indoor climbing wall.

They have nine vehicles, including a 21-passenger bus.

To top it all off, all of the kids learn violin and piano. And they claim to be debt free.

This family has got it made.

After some research, the only thing I found awkward was the fact that all of the children's names begin with J.

Regardless, Joshua, Jana, John-David, Jill, Jessa, Jinger, Joseph, Josiah, Joy-Anna, Jedidah, Jeremiah, Jason, James, Justin, Jackson, Johannah, Jennifer and parents (plus baby-on-the-way) are happy.

At the end of the day, that's what's important.

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The Culinary Corner:

Beat the heat with a cool fruit medley

by Rachel Guillermo
Culinary columnist

I've spent more than my share of summers here in Ellensburg and if there is one word that would describe those summer, it would definitely be: hot!

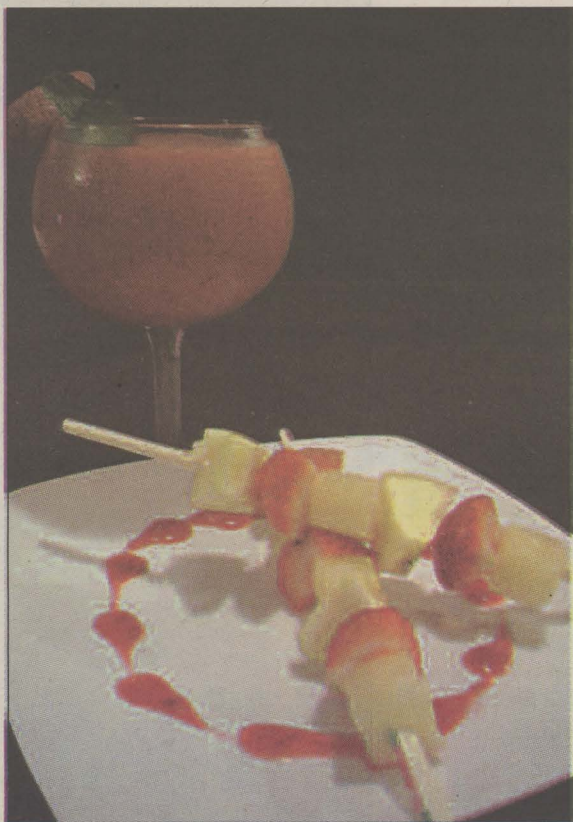
I was born and raised in Hawaii so I know what it's like to be in "warm" weather, but a summer in Hawaii weather and a summer in Ellensburg weather are completely different.

Anyone who has spent at least one summer here would agree with me when I say that the best way to stay cool during those blistering days is to stay out of the sun.

However, sometimes that's not even enough to stop the sweat. Here are some of my favorite recipes I use to beat the heat.

Everyone and their mother has a recipe for a fruit smoothie. I like to put mint in my smoothie to give it that little something else.

Fruit kabobs can be a little boring by themselves, so I serve mine with a berry coulis (pronounced coo-lee). It adds more flavor and a vibrant burst of color.



Rachel Guillermo/Observer

Strawberry and raspberry smoothie with mint

- 1/2 C. of fresh strawberries
- 1/2 C. of fresh raspberries
- 3 mint leaves
- 1 C. ice cubes
- 1 C. passionfruit juice

Combine ingredients in a blender and blend until smooth. Serve in a frosted cup and top with a fresh strawberry.

Fruit kabobs with a berry coulis

- Kabobs:**
- 1 fresh pineapple, cubed
 - 4 or 5 apples, also cubed
 - 1 quart of fresh strawberries, halved
- Berry coulis:**
- 1/2 C. of strawberries
 - 1/2 C. of raspberries
 - 1 C. simple syrup

Puree the strawberry and raspberries in a blender. Combine the simple syrup and berry puree in a bowl, making sure to mix well.

Arrange the cubed fruit onto wooden skewers, drizzle the coulis over the fruit and serve.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Observer,

After reading Jay Renwick's article about the Kentucky Derby incident in which a filly was euthanized after breaking two ankles, I felt compelled to write.

Renwick tries to prove the point that race horses are athletes, and that PETA is overreacting. However, he fails to explain the differences between race horses and athletes and give real reason for PETA's concern.

The fact is, even though horses are like athletes in many ways (money, care, etc), when a horse gets a broken limb, he or she is euthanized. When an athlete gets a broken limb, he or she is taken to the hospital and rehabilitated.

So criticizing every sport with injuries is not even relevant to the issue. Maybe it will be when we start putting down human athletes, but I doubt that will happen anytime soon.

Also, since when did the filly, or any racing animal, have a say in whether they wanted a life of athleticism or not? Animals do not speak our language, and cannot decide for themselves. And why did this filly break her ankles, anyway?

Renwick does not point out the fact that the filly was extremely young, and her bones weren't even fully developed yet, which led to the injury.

The problem of animals in sports and entertainment goes much deeper than Renwick is willing to admit. I encourage everyone to look at all sides of the issue, and keep in mind that animals do not have the free will to choose their fate.

Laura Langer

SECRETARY, ANIMAL RIGHTS CLUB
JUNIOR, ANTHROPOLOGY

To The Observer editors,

Two weeks ago the so-called "Truth Truck" stopped at Central as part of its "anti-abortion tour" of Washington. The truck was parked outside my residence hall before the campus police escorted it off for being on campus property without a permit.

I was disconcerted by the article that the Observer ran on this event as it failed to question the validity of the the protesters' comments let alone represent alternative viewpoints. I hope this letter can.

This group has a history of protesting Planned Parenthood and other health clinics based on scare-tactics derived from misinformation.

The gory pictures they showcase are too far along to be from abortions, since there are in fact restrictions on how late into the pregnancy abortions can be performed. The photos are usually late-term miscarriages and stillbirths, chosen clearly because they create such vivid images in the mind of the public.

"Show the Truth" claims to be a group of educators, but all they do is harass and intimidate people who are trying to be responsible and respectable.

If they really wanted to care for women and families, they would work with organizations like Planned Parenthood to increase access to affordable birth control and comprehensive sexuality education.

The group only offers shallow threats and hurls blame at Planned Parenthood when in fact a majority of the services that Planned Parenthood provides focus on prevention through community education and outreach, contraception, breast and cervical cancer screenings, and sexually transmitted infection testing and treatment.

Mr. Sauley's group and others like them would do well to work toward preventing abortion by ensuring that people have access to medically and scientifically accurate information and preventative services, rather than protesting organizations that do.

Erika Harder

VICE PRESIDENT

CENTRAL VOX: VOICES FOR PLANNED PARENTHOOD

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Scene



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PURSUING HOLLYWOOD DREAMS

Ellensburg local turns stuntwoman

by Darcy Wytko
Staff reporter

Ellensburg native Heather Vendrell Arthur enjoys getting her hair and make-up done, jet-setting between Los Angeles and Hawaii and throwing herself in front of moving vehicles. To some, her lifestyle may sound high-priced and dangerous, but as a Hollywood stuntwoman, Arthur gets paid big bucks to put her life on the line.

"It's a good day when I come home from work with only a few bruises," Arthur said. "All in all, I'm living my dream."

Before getting her big break stunt-doubling for actresses Evangeline Lily and Michelle Rodriguez on the hit TV series "Lost," Arthur lived a quiet suburban life with husband Jon Arthur and worked a series of thankless advertising jobs. Then in 2005, her father — "Lost" stunt coordinator Michael Vendrell — called to ask if she'd like a job on the show.

"When I first met Evangeline, who plays Kate on the show, I knew Heather would be the perfect double for her. They have the same bodies, movements and personalities," said Vendrell. "I thought, too bad Heather doesn't do stunts. So I gave her a call."

Arthur was ecstatic. Within days she was in Hawaii filming hand-to-hand combat scenes for the show's leading ladies, despite her lack of professional experience. One could argue that Arthur's athletic abilities, gymnastic training and daredevil childhood antics had set her up to be a stuntwoman since birth.

"I've wanted to work in stunts since I was two, when I used to jump off the refrigerator into homemade airbags with

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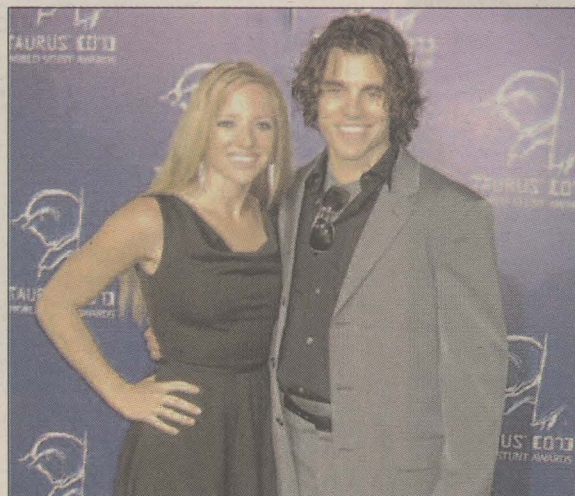
HEATHER VENDRELL ARTHUR
HOLLYWOOD STUNTWOMAN

my dad," Arthur said. "He's been teaching me gymnastics and martial arts since before I could walk."

Arthur has doubled for Oscar-nominee Julianne Moore and Jessica Biel in the film "Next" and Diane Kruger in the sequel to "National Treasure." She has earned stunt credits on the television shows "Scrubs," "One Tree Hill," "Monk," and continues to work regularly on "Lost." Arthur recently completed work on the television series "The Sarah Connor Chronicles," based on the "Terminator" films, which debuted on FOX in early 2008.

Her husband Jon Arthur has since broken into the industry as well, doubling for Ben Stiller and also doing stuntwork for "Lost." Most recently, he worked with Steven Spielberg and Harrison Ford while doubling for Shia Lebouf in the soon to be released "Indiana Jones" sequel. When asked if he fears for his wife and their dangerous line of work, Jon conceded that accidents do happen.

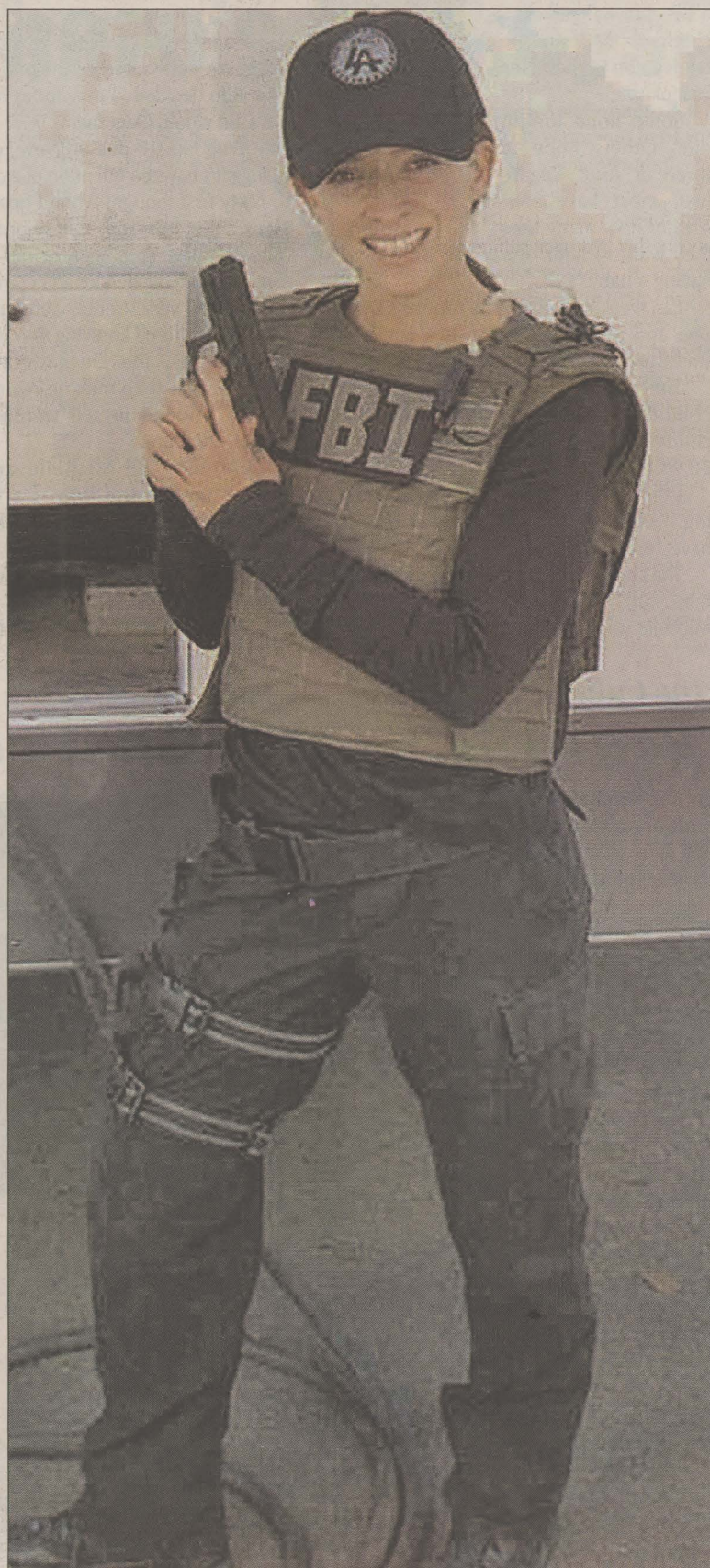
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Left: Since her big break in 2005, Heather Arthur has earned multiple stunt credits in television series and films.

Above: Heather Arthur with husband Jon Arthur at the World Stunt Awards. Jon has doubled for Ben Stiller, and did stuntwork for Shia Lebouf in the upcoming "Indiana Jones" film.

Right: Heather Arthur doubled for Julianne Moore in the film "Next."



Metabolic flexibility, suspended animation

by Chloe Robbins
Asst. News editor

In an attempt at immortality, Dr. Mark Roth of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle is buying time for American soldiers.

Roth came to Central last Friday to explain his process to a group of approximately 50. His seminar was titled, "Metabolic Flexibility and Suspended Animation." He was invited by Daniel Beck, a professor in the department of biological sciences, who knew him through Hutchinson.

"He's definitely a person who thinks outside of the box," Beck said.

Roth was motivated by a desire to change the limits of survivability, saying that the most common cause of death cited is insufficient oxygen flow to the tissues. Thus his focus was on reducing the need for oxygen.

After some experimentation with oxygen, Roth decided to see what effect hydrogen sulfide would have on the body. He chose this because it is more toxic than oxygen, and because creatures used to create hydrogen sulfide from combustion.

"This was back when we ate rocks like we now eat air," Roth explained.

Roth discovered that nematodes in 5 percent oxygen usually die within 10 minutes, but if they have been in hydrogen sulfide for 20 minutes, they can survive in 5 percent oxygen for six hours. For people, this means that hydrogen sulfide can lessen the need for oxygen: the need that is the primary cause of death when not met.

According to Beck, the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) is funding Roth's work.

Roth said a soldier who is shot can be saved with one hit of hydrogen sulfide, which slows the bleeding.

"I'm just trying to, if you will, steal real estate from death," Roth said.

At 80 parts per million (ppm) of hydrogen sulfide, an animal is forced into hibernation, or suspended animation.

Beck said the most far-reaching implication of suspended animation is that trauma patients and organ transplants can be put into suspended animation, which would buy them time to get to a hospital. This is safer than freezing, which can cause tissue damage.

He said the research is also valuable because it is delving into humans' basic physiology and the mechanisms for shutting down the body.

"You never know what that can do," Beck said.

The seminar was originally scheduled for winter quarter, but rescheduled due to pass conditions. However, he was an obvious choice to be invited back because of his work and connections.

"I was going to go in February," Jared Fraychineaud, senior biochemistry major, said. "[I wanted to go] mostly because he's from Fred Hutchinson."

Roth's discussion was the third in the Natural Science Seminar this quarter. The next will be Dr. David Lygre, a professor of biochemistry. His seminar, titled "Aging and Retirement," will be held at 4 p.m. next Friday, May 23, in the Science Building, room 147.

Miss Manners takes on Central

by Megan O'Malley
Staff reporter

Miss Manners no longer teaches where forks should be placed on the table or how to properly order chicken kiev. But in a day and age when business meetings and interviews often turn into lunches or dinners, learning to properly handle oneself in these situations is essential.

Fortunately, Central's Career Services offers a unique opportunity for students. They offer an etiquette dinner to help students brush up on their manners in dining settings. Now in its third year, the dinner is wildly popular and always sold out.

The past two years have been taught by a visiting etiquette professor, who emphasized the formal aspects of eating in public. This year, the dinner is less about the formality and more about general manners for a business meal. Teresa Youngren, the

"There's a lot of general manners they address."

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recruiting coordinator for Career Services, explains what the dinner is all about.

"[The dinner teaches] how to eat and drink and handle yourself in professional settings," Youngren said.

Etiquette is not merely about manners and making sure that you are using the soup spoon properly, etiquette is a way to show off social

graces among company. The rules, according to diningetiquette.org, are to make diners feel comfortable. Certain guidelines, such as not blowing one's nose at the table, are obvious; but others can get more complicated.

The goal of the etiquette dinner is to teach students those guidelines. When they are out in a business or formal setting students are able to conduct themselves with grace and ease. The teachers this year are from Enterprise Rent-A-Car. Their presentation brings all the aspects of a formal dinner with how to conduct oneself in a business setting.

Some aspects of their presentation include alcohol and social networking, the business dos and don'ts of choosing restaurants and entrees when in a business meal. There are also tips on how to handle awkward situations and how to give a proper handshake.

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they address," Youngren said.


This year's event promises to be bigger than ever. While the event sells out every year, it tends to be kept as an intimate situation with about 90 people attending. This year two extra tables have been added, pushing the number up to 104 attendees.

Youngren says that lots of guests are returning attendees who are graduating and want to brush up on their manners before they leave school. She also says that aside from the business aspect, most students are at the age when their friends start getting married. Weddings can be especially formal and this program can help.

"Really it is a cool opportunity," Youngren said.

To learn about which sides the fork goes on and how to eat a bread roll, check out the Etiquette dinner put on by Career Services. It will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, May 19 in the Sue Lombard dining room.

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Rec Center promotes healthy lifestyle

by Kayla Schroeder
Staff reporter

Fridays from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., students and faculty can enter Central's Kings and Queens of Fitness in the Recreation Center. The fitness test is based on four physical components including strength, cardio endurance, muscle endurance, flexibility and agility.

"It's important to take care of your body and stay healthy," Amy Friedt, junior business major said. "It's self rewarding."

The event began April 25 and will run through May 29. Each week, contestants compete in two different events ranging from bench press and squats to sit and reach and flexed arm hang. At the end of the quarter, totals will be tallied and the male and female with the highest scores will be crowned the king and queen of fitness, with portraits of the pair posted in the Recreation Center.

According to Kathryn Ament, senior business major and REC staff member, the event was started as a fun fitness challenge one day, when the REC staff started collaborating to make it an ongoing activity.

"It's nice because females are incorporated with their own category," Ament said. "It's continuous through the month so you can try to knock the winner out each week."

Jonathan Shepherd, senior exercise science major, supervises the events and has observed that gender has little to no influence on the amount of perseverance and competitiveness among contestants.

An average of 30 males and females participate each week. However, if an event is missed, it is tallied as a zero and can negatively impact the final score.

"Most people are set in their ways," Shepherd said. "They see us sitting at the table and don't want to participate, when it would only take five minutes."

Drop-ins are welcome and participants can register each Friday at the REC front desk. Complete entry rules are available at <http://www.cwu.edu/~rec>.

"Some [contestants] check the numbers at one o'clock and wait until three to try and beat the top score," Shepherd said. "That's the best way to do it."



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The new and improved Batman, portrayed by Christen Bale, is back to take on his most infamous rival, the Joker.

Batman's scavenger hunt

by Jacob Chase
Special to The Observer

SEATTLE— On April 28, hundreds of fans gathered near the Alaskan Way viaduct in to participate in a globe spanning scavenger hunt promoting the latest Batman film, 'The Dark Knight.' Twelve cities participated in the hunt, including: London, New York, San Francisco, Toronto, Sao Paulo, Brazil and others.

Those involved said that they heard about the event from a Web site reportedly operated by the "Joker," performed in the film by the late Heath Ledger.

Exact coordinates for the hunt were given for 12 cities on the Web site on Friday, April 25, with a timer counting down to 5:30 p.m., followed by a statement that read, "Gather with 300 of your closest friends at this exact spot on April 28th. You'll need to be in contact with a partner-in-crime who has online access to relay your instructions once you're there. These instructions will give you the TRAIL to follow, but be sure to look both ways when crossing the street; we wouldn't want you to make an unscheduled visit to the ER now, would we?"

Fans willing to follow the clues were then treated to a private screening of the highly anticipated new movie trailer. The preview is scheduled for its public premiere on the Internet on Sunday, May 4.

"It's better than the first one," said founder of Batman-on-Film.com, Bill Ramey, about the new preview. "If anyone is still complaining about Heath Ledger playing the Joker, well, they're just hatin' for the sake of hatin'. He's going to be unbelievable!"

Approximately 30 websites maintained by the film's marketing company 42 Entertainment now scatter the Inter-

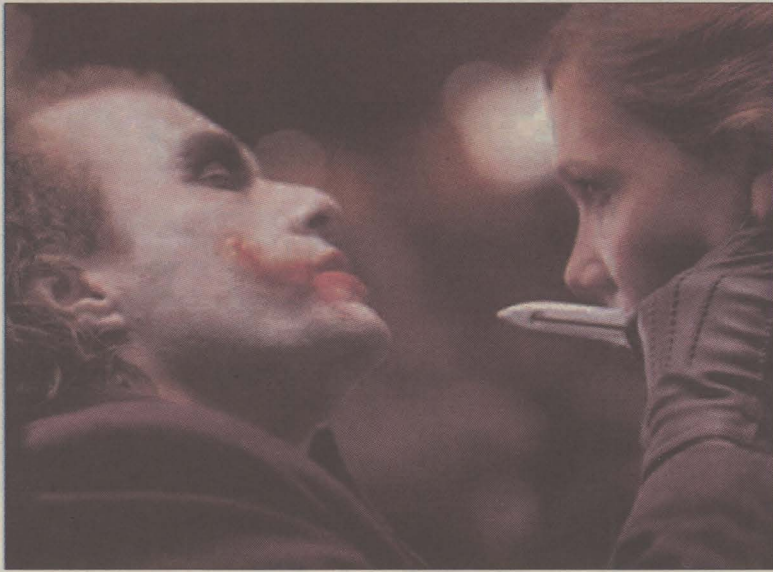


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The Joker, played by the late Heath Ledger, assumes a darker and more sinister persona than that seen in Jack Nicholson's original portrayal.

net as tools for their popular viral marketing campaign. Among the sites are fictional Gotham City newspapers, police departments and district attorney political campaigns.

Pages bearing the Joker's mark, black circled eyes and red lips scribbled in marker, are littered with riddles and hints that provoke anxious fans to take part in an uprising of anarchy and recruit others to join the Joker in his fight to overtake Gotham.

"People seemed to group together fairly easily without any confusion or arguing," said a Seattle University student attendee. "It was awesome and I can't wait for the next part of the game."

Viral marketing is a technique used by advertisers to promote a product through pre-existing social networks in order to heighten brand awareness. In 2007, the film 'Cloverfield' employed a similar strategy to market their film. A fury of Internet hype and skyrocketing box-office sales were the direct result of this sometimes controversial advertising strategy.

"I see it as a way of saying 'thanks' to the fans — making them feel as if they are part of the film," said Ramey. "I can see more of this in the future. While it's for the fans, word of it has leaked over into the mainstream which will bring more folks into seeing it."

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★ Ross Chambers, senior viola recital, 4 p.m. in the Recital Hall, free.

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★ Ian Houghton, graduate piano recital, 2 p.m. in the Recital Hall, free.

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★ Financial literacy symposium, 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. in the SURC Ballroom.

20 ★ Jazz Combo Nite, 7 p.m. in the Recital Hall, free.

★ Lion Rock Visiting Writers presents a reading by author and poet Oliver de la Paz, 7:30 p.m. in the Mary Grupe Center.

21 ★ CWU Percussion Ensemble Concert, 7 p.m. in the Concert Hall, free.

'Prologue' entices gamers' appetites

After driving a Ferrari F40, I have to say it's a pretty damn nice car. How did I get the chance to acquire a Ferrari? Well, the answer is simple; I didn't. Gran Turismo V: Prologue for the Sony Playstation 3 enables a lowly staff reporter, like myself, to drive the world's most renowned cars on the world's most beautiful racetracks without taking a single step.

James Anderson
Staff reporter

Prologue is not a full-fledged retail game, but a glorified demo that is available for purchase in stores for download off of the Playstation Network for \$40. Although not an officially released game, Prologue has more content packed into it than many full-fledged games that are sold for \$60. Prologue invites players to try only a snippet of what's to come in Gran Turismo V, scheduled to be released in spring of 2009.

The player starts off with enough money to buy a starter car and races until enough cash is earned to spend on the next streamlined beauty off of the

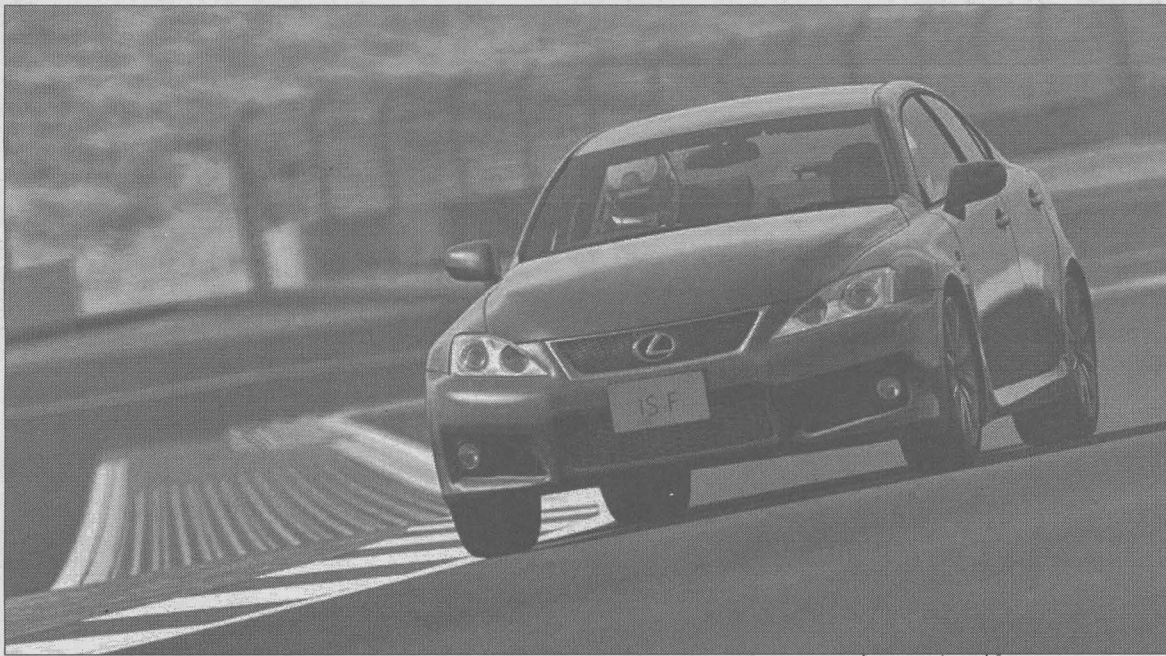


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A screenshot from 'Gran Turismo V: Prologue' serves as a testament to the high-quality graphics awaiting gamers

dealership floor. This system has become standard racing game fare but it works well in Prologue, moving players along at the right speed and rewarding them with stunning cars that are pure eye-candy.

The graphics in this game are insanely polished. I have never seen cars with the extreme detail that Pro-

logue offers to players. Exteriors of the cars have shimmering reflections, and the interiors of vehicles are equally impressive, showcasing identical interiors to their real-life counterparts. Ferraris have the luxurious interior of a super-car with recessed dash gauges featuring the famous yellow background. On the other side of the spec-

trum, the interior of an Acura Integra in Prologue looks just as dull as it does in real life.

Not only does Prologue feature the best looking virtual cars I have seen on a next-generation console, it offers a plethora of models to choose from. Granted, the 50 cars and six reversible tracks you get to enjoy when playing

Prologue is nowhere near the 600 plus cars and 30 plus tracks you will get to experience in the full release of Gran Turismo: V. However, each car handles so differently that 50 cars is a very suitable number for Prologue to stand at. Cars range from economy vehicles, such as any number of Honda vehicles, to super cars such as the Ford GT and the Ferrari F430. The tracks are virtual replicas of real life tracks such as Fuji Speedway, and they add immensely to the realism of the game.

The racing itself is purely Gran Turismo simulation driving and anyone who has played a Gran Turismo game in the past knows what they will be getting into when purchasing Prologue.

The controls feel tight, concise and different for each car, plus with the added bonus of being able to change the tires, traction control and difficulty settings for each vehicle, a car's handling completely changes in a matter of seconds.

Racing is fun as ever and with the inclusion of 16-player online multiplayer, a first in the series' history, the Turismo has never felt better.

My verdict: Although worth your hard earned money, all the features, tracks and cars offered in Prologue will be available with the retail version of Gran Turismo: V.

STUNTS: Family lives dangerously performing stunts in Hollywood

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"I definitely find it hard to watch her sometimes since injury is an expected part of the job," he said. "But I am so proud of Heather, and I love what we do. We couldn't be happier."

In just two years, the Los Angeles-based pair has accomplished what it takes others in the stunt industry a decade to achieve: steady careers in film and television.

Arthur has also recently been invited to apply for admittance into the United Stuntwoman's Association, an elite, invitation-only group comprised of the top 60 stuntwomen in the world.

"I've been in stunt industry for 30 years, and I can honestly say that my daughter is one of the best women in the field," said Vendrell. "I'm proud that she's living up to our family's name."

Although her accomplishments may sound glamorous, Arthur maintains that her day job is anything but.

Whether waiting through hours of hair and make-up, tumbling down mountains, crashing cars, or jumping out of two-story buildings, the possibility of life-threatening injury constantly looms.

"I've had concussions. I've left work in an ambulance before," Arthur explains. "I'm just more afraid of doing a bad job than getting hurt."

Arthur now lives in Hollywood with her husband and their puggle puppy, Jersey.

When asked if she misses the small town where she grew up, Arthur replies, "Just old friends, and Ellensburg's D & M coffee!"

Lackluster show receives two pacifiers

"Baby Mama" is a good movie, but not what you would expect from the advertisements on television.

Most of the funny parts are seen in the movie trailers and although the writing is average, the actors play their parts well. It is a movie I would recommend renting, but not seeing in the theater.

Baby Mama is intended to be a comedy, but at times it is sad and not so humorous. I had high expectations for this movie, but was let down by it. I would give it two pacifiers out of five.

The movie is a comedy about Kate Holbrook (Tina Fey), her surrogate Angie Ostrowski (Amy Poehler) and the trials of the nine months leading up to the birth of the child.

The film starts with Kate, a 37-year-old businesswoman who wants to have a child. She finds out that she has a one-in-a-million chance of conceiving on her own so she decides to look for a surrogate.

That's where Angie comes in. Angie gets pregnant and moves in with Kate because she split from her husband Carl (Dax Shepard).

Kate and Angie are complete opposites in every way. Kate is environmentally-friendly and organized; Angie is a free spirit and a junk food addict. The two work together and become good friends.



Myja Freese
Staff reporter

Angie thinks that Kate needs to get out and meet people, so the two go out to a night club. There they run into one of Kate's old boyfriends on the way out. They see his car and Angie smashes one of the windows with a trash can because he is remarried with several kids and she is jealous of him.

Kate soon meets Rob (Greg Kinnear) and they fall for each other. Kate does not tell Rob about Angie because he thinks having a surrogate is wrong. There is a huge baby shower for Angie and Kate; Rob and Carl show up and all lies come to a head.

I do not want to spoil the end for those who want to see it so I will stop here. At points the movie seems to drag and I felt like it was much longer than an hour and a half.

I would not see this movie again in theaters but might rent it on a Friday night to just watch with friends.

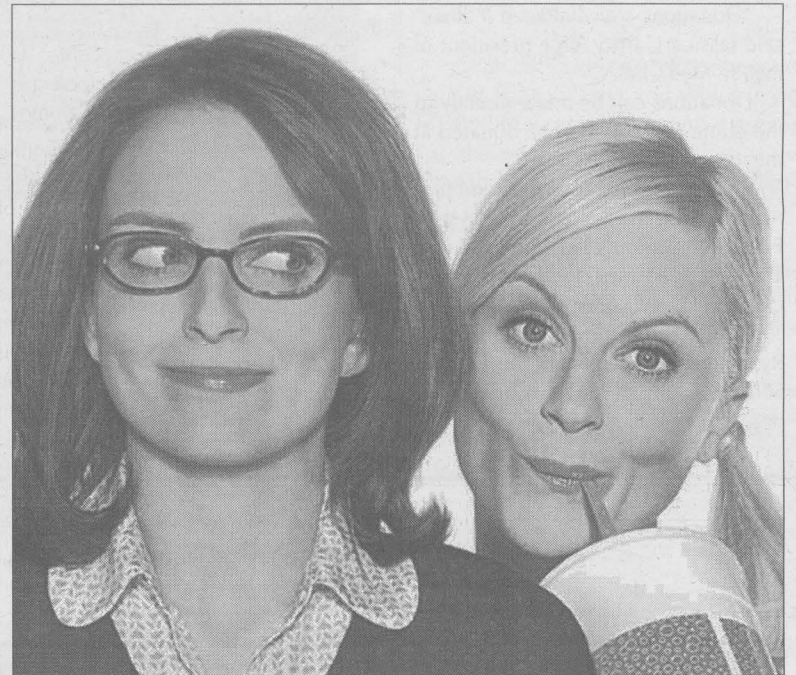
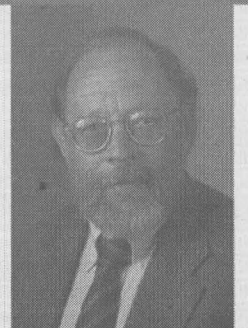


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5K to benefit Eburg Community Health Center

by Stephanie Olson
Staff reporter

Entirely dependent on volunteers and donations, the Ellensburg Community Health Clinic is receiving help from those involved in the 5K Fun Run at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 17 at Tomlinson Field. The start and finish line are located at Tomlinson Field with the rest of the course continuing along north campus.

The Exercise Science Club started the 5K Fun Run three years ago and has given half of its proceeds to a different charity each year. This year the Exercise Science Club joined with the Pre-Med Club which was also planning a 5K run/walk during the same weekend to raise money for the Ellensburg Community Health Clinic.

“We wanted to do a walk because we wanted to do something to get the community involved,” said Ashley Dutton, president of the Pre-Med Club. “We wanted to do something active.”

Some of the pre-med students volunteer at the clinic and noticed how much it needed help.

“Because I work there, I have a lot of heart and soul into the clinic,” said Dutton. “We wanted to give back to the clinic, more than just volunteering.”

The Ellensburg Community Health Clinic provides free health care for those in need. The clinic is staffed entirely by volunteers and relies on donations.

“Donations are what keep it alive,” said Jessica Garrity, vice president of the Pre-Med Club.

Donations can be made directly to the clinic and can also be donated at the run.

The run is open to anyone and pre-registration is available at the Physical Education Building or before the run. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under.

“It is a pretty low key run,” said Ryan Perkins, president of the Exercise Science Club. “[You] can bring your dog out and walk it.”

“We wanted to give back to the clinic, more than just volunteering.”

ASHLEY DUTTON
PRE-MED CLUB PRESIDENT

Participants will be racing against others in the same age group: 15 and under, 16 to 30 and 31 and over. The first place male and female winners in the two older age groups will receive a \$25 gift certificate to D&M Coffee, the second place male and female winners receive a \$10 gift certificate. The top three male and female finishers will also receive medals. The top three finishers overall in the 15 and under group will receive medals.

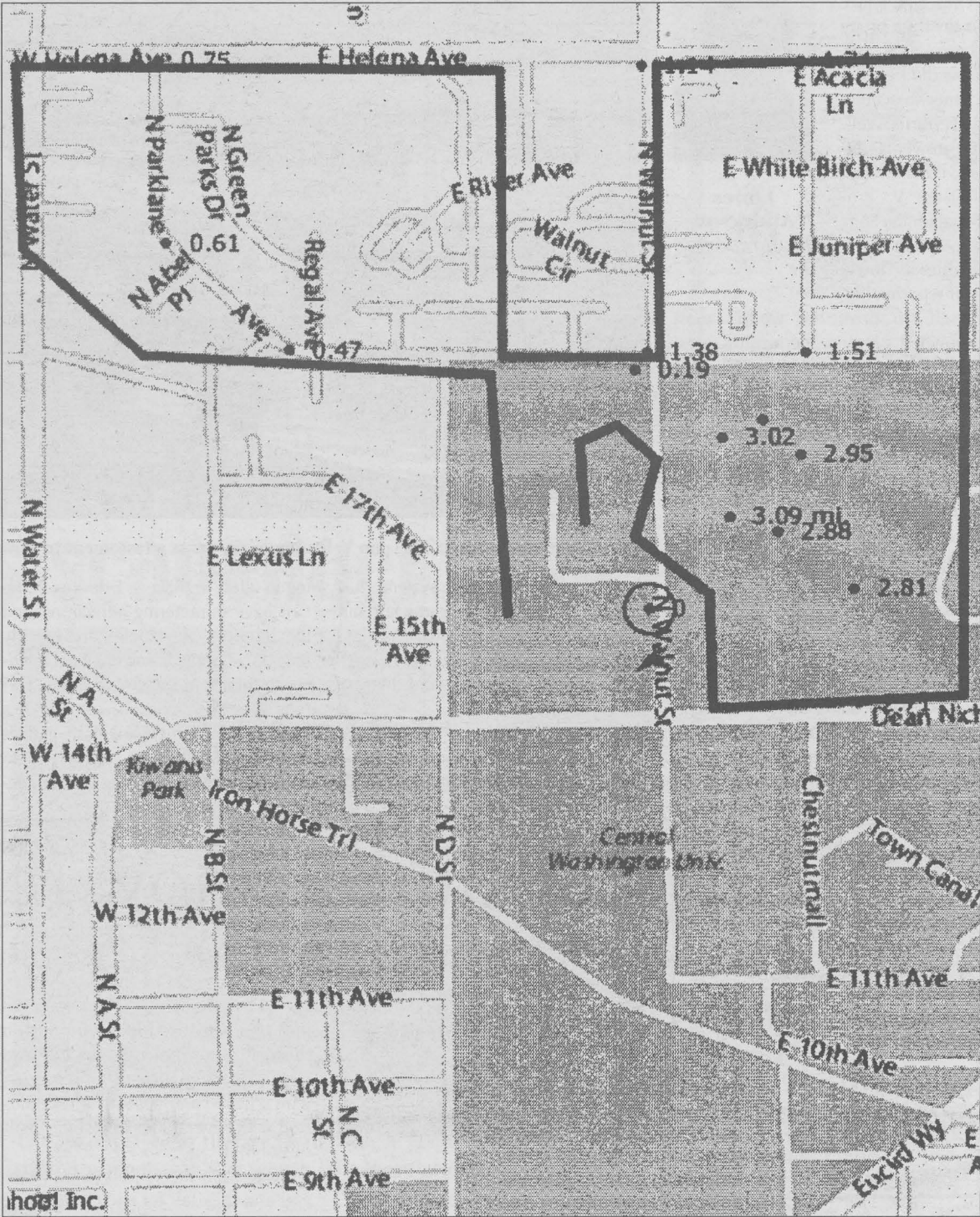
There will also be raffles for prizes including gift certificates and gift baskets donated by local businesses including D&M Coffee, D&M Motors, McDonald’s and Subway. Tickets for the raffles will be sold to spectators and all participants are automatically entered. Shirts will be sold for \$5.

There will be areas for spectators to watch the race at Tomlinson Field and along the raceway. Refreshments – including a breakfast table of fruits, bagels, Gatorade and water – will be available for free.

The Civic Engagement Center is also sponsoring the run and helped create and design flyers and other promotional material.

Community Health Center

The Ellensburg Community Health Clinic is located at 603 South Chestnut Street and is open every first and third Saturday each month from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.





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Spring football gives fans
glimpse of 2008 team

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Jamie Nilsen set to leave
CWU as baseball's best ever

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Season comes to quiet close

Losing three of four to Northwest Nazarene ends Wildcats' playoff hopes



Jessica Liddle/Observer

Senior first baseman Hank Anderson stretches for the ball as the Wildcats attempt to turn a double play against Dixie State on April 20.

by Casey Donovan
Senior reporter

Arguably the best baseball team that Central Washington University has ever seen still wasn't enough to be invited to the 2008 postseason.

After losing three of four to Great Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC) opponent Northwest Nazarene, Central crumbled to a 30-21 mark overall and 20-12 in the GNAC. It is only the fourth time in CWU history that the baseball team has won 30 or more games in a season.

"It's definitely bittersweet," senior shortstop Jamie Nilsen said. "We definitely had higher hopes than what we accomplished."

And rightfully so.

In the first real test of the season in early March, Central took three of four games from powerhouse Western Oregon, something that hadn't happened in over four years.

They continued their hot streak, winning nine of their next 11 games. However, the Wildcats hit an abrupt stop when they travelled to Western Oregon, losing three of four and splitting the season series.

For the seventh time in a row, Western Oregon has won the coveted GNAC title and is in fifth place in the NCAA West Region Poll.

"We could easily be tied with Western Oregon," head coach Desi Storey said.

Last week, Storey's plan was to win out against Northwest Nazarene, giving them a shot — albeit a long one — to squeak into the playoffs.

"Our goal was playoffs and we didn't get there," Nilsen said. "We needed too many outcomes in the end to get in and really none of them happened."

The start wasn't good, as senior right-hander Tyler Levin was roughed up in the first game against Northwest Nazarene, going seven innings plus and giving up nine runs on 11 hits. In the bottom of the third, Levin gave up a leadoff walk and back-to-back RBI hits leading to a six run inning off four hits.

The backbreaker came in the fourth when Levin got two quick outs, but the Crusaders still put three more runs on the board. Nilsen booted a ball and senior catcher Zach Aakhus blasted a three-run shot to give Nazarene a 9-4 advantage. Aakhus finished up the game with five RBIs, two runs and two hits.

Levin once again led the Wildcats in ERA and is ranked seventh in career wins with 17 through two seasons.

End of Season Statistics Leaders

AVG: Jamie Nilsen, .468
ABs: Nate Rylaarsdam, 190
Runs: Jamie Nilsen, 65
Hits: Jamie Nilsen, 87
2Bs: Jamie Nilsen, 20
3Bs: A.J. Gosney, 5
HRs: Jamie Nilsen, 10
TB: Jamie Nilsen, 145
RBIs: Jamie Nilsen, 59
BBs: Frank Donangelo, 26
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Central stormed back in game two with clutch hitting performances — by designated hitter Nate Rylaarsdam and second baseman Kevin Walkenhauer.

They went a combined seven for nine at the dish and drove in four runs as Central won the second game, 9-4.

Sophomore right-hander Derek Shoemaker went the distance for the sixth time this season, improving his record to 6-5.

Although Levin and senior left-hander Jordan Moore will be gone from the starting rotation, Shoemaker and sophomore right-hander Michael McCanna will be back next season. Central will lose 14 seniors after this season, something

that is still in question as to how a hole that big will be replaced.

"There is good pitching returning, both in the starting spots and in the bullpen," Nilsen said. "It is definitely something that I think the team will be built around next season."

The hitting is a different story. In 2008, 24 of the team's 33 total home runs were produced by seniors, which will need to be taken into account by the beginning of next season.

The lineup is going to be shaken up completely next season with all the voids that need to be filled.

Next season will be head coach Desi Storey's 18th consecutive year as the Wildcat baseball coach.

Men's Hoops adds guard

Spokane CC point guard Jon Clift joins 'Cats

by Curtis Crabtree
Sports editor

With the graduation of senior point guard Nate Jackson and senior-to-be Colton Monti being the only returner at the position, the Wildcats were looking to add depth to a team returning seven seniors in 2008.

They found Jon Clift.

Clift, a transfer from the Community Colleges of Spokane, will come in and push Monti for playing time at the point guard position.

Clift helped lead the Sasquatch, under the direction of former Central assistant coach Mike Burns, to a 30-2 overall record and a second-place showing in the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges (NWAACC) Tournament.

"I think he gives you an opportunity at the point, where he's real smart, but off the ball he can knock down the shot and also get in and create for others," head coach Greg Sparling said.

The Sasquatch were a combined 43-18 in Clift's two seasons at Spokane CC. As a freshman, he averaged 11.1 points, and three rebounds while dishing out 98 assists and collecting 63 steals.

In high school, Clift helped lead Joel E. Ferris High School in Spokane to two straight Class 4A state tournament appearances while garnering all-Greater Spokane League honors, honorable mention all-state and second team all-WIAA Class 4A state tournament team honors.

Clift will join two other junior college transfers who have already committed this offseason.

Chris Sprinker, a 6-foot-9-inch center transfers over from Tacoma Community College while 6-foot-4-inch swingman Shane Miller comes to Central via Treasure Valley Community College in Oregon.

Transferring in to Central as a junior, Clift will have two years of eligibility remaining with the Wildcats.

"Offensively and defensively, he's very smart," Sparling said. "He played a lot of minutes against a lot of quality athletes. He's not a real big basketball player, but I think he's big on knowledge."

MAYO AND BUSH TO BRING "FALL OF TROY"

O.J. Mayo and Reggie Bush scandals bring controversy to the University of Southern California

The University of Southern California has been nothing short of dominating during the last five seasons of college football. The program that has churned out numerous professional athletes, has a rich history of winning national championships and almost always competes for the number one ranking in the nation.

The basketball program, however, has slacked its way through the last decade. That was until Tim Floyd, former Chicago Bulls coach, took over the program and changed the atmosphere surrounding the USC campus and its basketball team. That's when they decided that they needed O.J. Mayo; an 18-year old basketball phenom.

Mayo, a victim of the NBA's new rule that requires high school seniors go to college for at least one season, chose to go to USC over Florida and Kansas State. Mayo



Joseph Siemandel
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was heavily recruited out of high school, but his recruitment started in middle school.

Mayo grew up in West Virginia, in the shadow of the University of West Virginia, and trouble always seemed to follow him.

Mayo's father left when he was child leaving him without a real male role model in his life. Mayo later enrolled at a high school in Kentucky, so that he could play for both his junior high basketball team in West Virginia and the high school in Kentucky.

He made it through the last four years as the most hyped basketball player coming out of high school since LeBron James, but with a worse reputation.

Last September, when Floyd introduced Mayo to the USC faithful at a home game, sports writers could just sense that trouble was brewing.

At the time, USC was deeply engulfed in the Reggie Bush pay-off scandal. The dominating college running back was reported to have accepted \$300,000 from boosters to come to USC. Football coach Pete Carroll had no recollection of the event, and the Bush scandal seemed to fall by the wayside while the season continued.

That was until the Mayo scandal broke. Just last week, on ESPN's "Outside the Lines", a story broke about Mayo accepting \$30,000 to come to USC instead of Florida or Kansas State.

Louis Johnson, a former associate of Mayo's, claimed to have heard and seen Mayo receive money from Rodney Guilory, a Los Angeles event promoter and USC alumni booster. Johnson claims that Mayo started receiving money in high school and continued to during his first year at USC.

Mayo went on air publicly claiming to have never accepted or heard of the money. He claimed to be just like any other college student, living poor and going to class just like everyone else.

USC has been a dominating team in college sports and no doubt, has the right coaching staff and the right systems in place, but could they be paying off athletes to come and play for them?

When Mayo, a sure-fire one-and-done NBA prospect, chose to come to USC over Florida, a team that won the last two NCAA titles, that should send warning signs to the NCAA rules committee that something was wrong.

It's not as if Mayo needed to go to col-

lege anyway; he could have gone to the Arkansas Technical Institute of Science to play and still make the NBA. He was a top five pick out of junior high. Why would he jeopardize his future earnings for \$30,000?

Because the whole college sports system is broken, not just at USC but all over the nation, this year's NBA draft will show that many players are leaving college after just one year of eligibility.

It's the "nature of the beast" in sports. Players come and go - but when you throw millions of dollars at high school students you run into problems like this. Young athletes see dollar signs and jump, but don't step back to think, "what if" or "what's the catch here?"

Mayo is just one of many young athletes who have failed to set themselves up for life after sports. Darius Miles is a great example; he was a wonderful player out of high school, but now at age 24, he's out of the NBA and has virtually no chance to come back.

In his six seasons, Miles was suspended numerous times, arrested for drug problems and landed on three rosters in six years. He still has a few million dollars left in his bank account so he is doing

alright for now, but one can only wonder what will happen when he's 30.

That's what we have learned from athletes such as Mike Tyson, who is almost 40, is bankrupt and admits to overspending in his youth.

Mayo is a prime example of what should happen in the NCAA: a four year rule. No one leaves for the NBA until they have an academic degree that can help them succeed after their professional career is over. If Mayo had decided to stay for the full four years, then someone could have sat him down and charted out his potential earnings after college and he would have seen \$30,000 as chicken feed.

That brings me back to Bush, the \$300,000 he supposedly accepted is still a mystery and will continue to be looked into, but this guy's NFL salary more than covers whatever money he got from the boosters at USC. So as Bush crawls into his million dollar bed next to his celebrity girlfriend Kim Kardashian, I guarantee he isn't losing any sleep at night over it.

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People's Pond Etiquette

With the weather constantly getting warmer, more and more Central students will make their way out to People's Pond to enjoy the sunshine.

In order to ensure a good time by all, certain rules should be adhered to allow everyone to enjoy the popular hang out spot.

1. Dogs must be on a leash in accordance to the leash laws
2. No alcohol is allowed in accordance to open container laws
3. Pick up trash before leaving
4. Use good judgement in order to stay safe around the pond at all times

Wide range of equipment open to skiers and boarders

by Michael Ingram
Special to The Observer

When purchasing ski equipment such as skis, bindings and boots, the first and most important thing to look for is a quality brand that will provide high performance and safety.

There are many different brands to choose from, and each offers their own level of performance. Top brands include: K-2, Rossignol, Vockle, and Armada. This doesn't mean other brands are bad, but rather that these specific brands represent the highest quality skis a consumer can purchase.

"Skiers classify these as top brands because they are geared towards aggressive skiers. You can ski backwards, and they are tuned more for the expert skier," said expert skier Gill Lee of Sturtevant's Snow Sports in Bellevue, Wash.

Skis have changed much in the past 10 years, evolving from long and straight to fairly short with curves and twin tips. Even today, ski enthusiasts are pushing for shorter, wider skis, with more surface area to improve mobility and create a smoother ride.

Additionally, Alpental Ski Representative Andrew Morris finds new ski designs to be best for advanced skiers.

"The fatter skis are hands down the best tool when skiing in the backcountry or through some nice fresh

powder," Morris said.

Wide skis with twin tips were inspired by snowboarding and the mobility granted to boarders by this unique design element.

"Skis have become much wider so they float better in the powder, and have been influenced by the wider style of the snowboard," Ski Mart backcountry expert, Blake Balkmen said.

Furthermore, skiers often look for a good deal when seeking out new equipment and shopping at specialized ski shops such as Sturtevant's, Ski Mart, or Joe's Outdoors, that provide a large ski equipment section at competitive prices.

"I look for colorful equipment which is reliable and durable," said sophomore business marketing major, Kirsten Poole.

Seeking advice from sales personnel that ski and know what they are talking about is a good way to avoid purchasing the wrong equipment. Purchasing ski equipment late in the season will also save enthusiasts a

considerable amount of money.

"By purchasing good equipment late in the ski season or last year's models early in the season, I have often found great deals," said Robert Ingram, a veteran skier of 45 years.

In addition, a good thing to look for when purchasing skis and bindings is a reputable store with trained and skilled mounting technicians.

"The mounting technician drilled the bindings through the bottom of my ski, which resulted in an accident on the mountain," said Balkmen. "The store fired the technician and I received brand new skis."

Skis mounted improperly can result in fatal accidents on the slope, so skiers should be sure to carefully inspect any work done by a mounting shop to ensure their work is done properly. This attention to detail will provide for more fun and less hassle when venturing up to the slopes.

"Boots have to be comfortable along with good bindings," sophomore marketing major, Mike Kappler said.



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Sarn Salmon, a Central alumnus with a degree in IT, jumps off an embankment while riding his Burton snowboard at Blewett Pass this winter.

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White squad defeats Crimson in spring game

by Curtis Crabtree
Sports editor

After struggling against the defensive unit for most of the spring, the new offense being installed by first-year head coach Blaine Bennett finally started to click as the Wildcats' white squad defeated the crimson defensive unit 43-19 in the annual spring game on Saturday.

"We tried to come up with a points system," Bennett said. "I don't know if it was a fair points system, but we tried to come up with something so the people could kind of enjoy it."

Senior quarterback Mike Reilly looked as poised as ever in the pocket, going 15-of-23 for 163 yards and two touchdowns in limited action.

Reilly was the only quarterback who wasn't "live," meaning he wasn't able to be touched by the defense.

That didn't stop Reilly from getting in on the hitting though. On a play in the second half, Reilly sprinted downfield to try and throw a block on James, drawing chuckles from the Wildcats' bench.

"It's hard to try and run at the quarterback position when somebody gets within five yards of you and they blow it dead," Reilly said. "But at the same time it's probably frustrating for a defense when a quarterback is down there blocking somebody with a black jersey on. So that's kind of a cheap move, but you do what you can with a black jersey."

Backup quarterbacks redshirt freshman Nick Williams and junior Kyle Miller weren't as lucky, as they were both free game for the defense.

The running back position is still searching for a starter since losing Johnny Lopez to graduation.

Redshirt freshman Anthony Stewart and sophomore Micah Lape are the two favorites to replace Lopez at this moment and received the brunt of the carries on Saturday.

Stewart carried the ball 13 times for 70 yards and a touchdown while Lape had 12 touches for 28 yards. Both Stewart and Lape also lost fumbles. The third back in the pecking order, redshirt freshman Justin Leonard, carried the ball nine times for 35 yards.

"We certainly have two backs that deserve playing time and will do a good job while they are in there."

BLAINE BENNETT,
HEAD COACH

Leonard had one of the most exciting runs of the day as he started to the right, reversed his field coming all the way back to the left sideline before getting held up by redshirt freshman safety Devin Snyder.

While a two-back system with Lape as the every-down back and Stewart as a change-of-pace back seems to fit, Bennett said he is weary of going to such a system.

"I'm a big one-back guy, so to get to two backs it would have to be a special situation," Bennett said. "We certainly have two backs that deserve playing time and

will do a good job while they are in there."

With junior wide receivers Johnny Spevak and Sam Togar out with hand injuries and senior Chris Rohrbach not able to practice to preserve his eligibility, the opportunity was open for the rest of the wide receiving corps to shine.

Redshirt freshman Austin Burton led the group with five catches for 54 yards.

Redshirt freshmen Nick Kosloski and Justin Helwege each had four receptions a piece for 43 and 31 yards, respectively. Helwege also hauled in one of Reilly's two touchdown passes on a fade route to the corner of the endzone during red-zone drills.

"Today we had a great day," Reilly said. "Those young guys really matured a lot in four weeks, so it's nice next year when we have our older guys healthy, we will have a lot of players that can play."

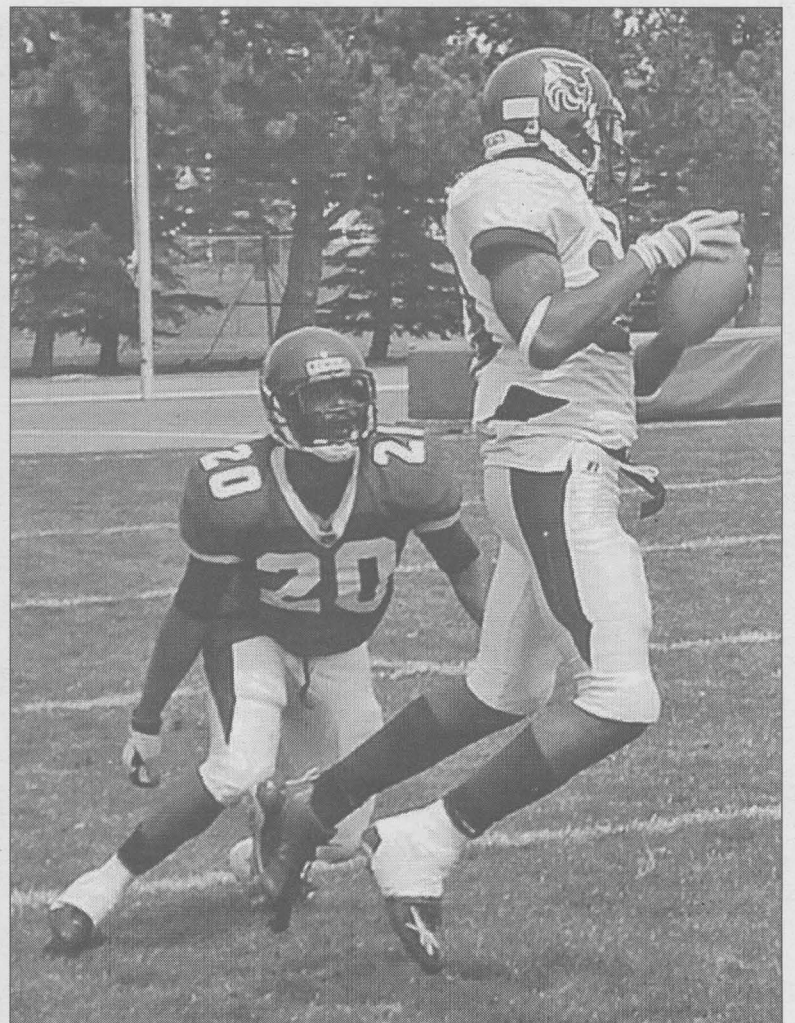
Junior tight end James Murphy was the recipient of Reilly's first touchdown pass of the afternoon on an 11-yard connection.

"Anytime a defense has to react to everything - the deep ball, the short ball, the inside run, the outside run, the play-action, the screen - it's a lot tougher," Bennett said.

Sophomore defensive lineman Tyrell Nielsen had the most prolific day for the defense racking up two-and-a-half tackles for loss and a forced fumble.

Senior defensive back Brandon Kennedy, Sophomore safety Justin Gran and junior linebacker Buddy Wood led the team with six tackles a piece. Wood also had one of the crimson team's four sacks on the day.

"We didn't come out as fired up as we should," senior linebacker Chris James said. "I think a lot of our guys realize that and are going to work hard over the summer to get ready."



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Above: Senior wide receiver Reggie Wilson corraling a pass in front of senior defensive back Brandon Kennedy during the second half.

Below: Redshirt freshman running back Anthony Stewart gets wrapped up by redshirt freshman safety John Koopman and redshirt freshman defensive end Jeremy Godfrey during the first half on Saturday.



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Sophomore running back Micah Lape looks to stiff-arm senior defensive back Brandon Kennedy on a sweep play while redshirt freshman wide receiver Jamal Weems blocks on Saturday.

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Nilsen: Most prolific player in Central history

by Garrett Shawstad
Staff reporter

Anticipation is rising as seniors prepare to graduate just a few weeks from now, but for one senior, the anticipation is through the roof as he awaits the selections of the 2008 baseball draft.

Nilsen ended a phenomenal college career with the Wildcats, and leaves behind record after record, including most career games played, most career triples, most career home-runs and most career runs scored, just to name a few.

Traveling home from last week's loss to Northwest Nazarene and, consequently, his last college game, Nilsen received the emotional and uplifting news that he was named Male Athlete of the Year.

"It's the icing on the cake," Nilsen said. "I flew under the radar and it's nice to get recognition."

This honor comes after years of hard work and determination. As a freshman, Nilsen had to walk on and try out for the Wildcats, deciding to give baseball one more shot. Head coach Desi Storey recognized the talent and the potential of Nilsen, redshirting him for the season.

"You have to understand he's the spark plug," Storey said. "[Nilsen], excellent as a freshman, is now a little faster and stronger."

Just how much Nilsen's impact has been on the team is incomparable.

Nilsen's Career Records	
Games played: 199, (163)	RBIs: 182, (112)
At bats: 725, (478)	Walks: 92, (75)
Runs: 235, (126)	Caught Stealing: 21, (20)
Hits: 288, (165)	Sacrifice Flies: 14, (13)
Doubles: 60, (34)	Hit by Pitch: 60, (19)
Triples: 13, (9)	Assists: 560, (337)
Home Runs: 29, (21)	Errors: 67, (65)
Total Bases: 461, (266)	Double Plays: 117, (65)
*(2nd place)	

"A better question is to ask if anyone else is comparable to him," Storey said.

While growing up, baseball wasn't always his sport. In high school Nilsen golfed and before that, hydro-boat raced.

At 15 and 16, Nilsen was a two-time national champion and has eight world records in hydro racing.

Nilsen has always loved sports and credits his father with teaching him the game, along with always being supportive and leaving the choice up to him.

"He was never the biggest, or the strongest, but always mentally the toughest," Jamie's father, Jim Nilsen, said.

In his senior year at Thomas Jefferson High School in Federal Way, Nilsen was named Second Team All Puget Sound league in the 4A division. Since then instead of playing three months out of the year, Nilsen dedicated and invested more time into baseball.

That investment has definitely paid-off.

Out of all he has achieved here at Central, Nilsen is most proud of his fourth overall ranking for his single season batting record (.397), which reminds him of former teammate Josh Small, who Nilsen credits as being a positive role model when Nilsen first started. Nilsen also looked up to Small and imitated his game.

Now having moved up the ranks, Nilsen hopes to be the one that fellow players look also up to, by showing what hard work and practice can do.

"Five years ago, I came out to just to try and make the team," Nilsen said. "It's pretty cool how things worked out, the last four years have been a dream come true."

Part of making that dream come true is the attention he has gotten in the last two years.

"[Nilsen] generated a lot of interest last year," Storey said.

June 5 and 6 marks the 2008 MLB draft and fingers will be crossed as names get called with the hope that this Wildcat is one of them.



Brianan Stanley/Observer
Senior shortstop Jamie Nilsen get hits by a pitch from Dixie State on April 19. Nilsen holds 16 career records including most times hit-by-pitch.

Head trainer Kladnik tends to injured Wildcats



Brianan Stanley/Observer
Ken Kladnik wrapping redshirt freshman running back Justin Leonard's arm during the spring football game on Saturday. Kladnik graduated from Central in 1973 and returned to Ellensburg in 2002.

by Dusty Kindred
Staff reporter

Ken Kladnik started his athletic training in 1965, when his next door neighbor talked Kladnik into taking a correspondent course to become the trainer for his high school.

Kladnik grew up in Cle Elum, Wash., and graduated from Cle Elum High School in 1968, with just 54 other students in his graduating class.

"I liked the small-town atmosphere and all my family is from there" Kladnik said.

When Kladnik graduated he wanted to go into athletic training because he loves sports and was interested in health care. He had two colleges to choose from: Central and Washington State University.

He chose Central because it was closer to home and was interested in the track program were he participated the triple jump and high jump.

He graduated from Central in 1973 and went on and received his MA from Arizona University. Indiana and Arizona were the only two schools who offered

“...I hope I can make a difference in people's lives, and help them get better.”

KEN KLADNIK, HEAD ATHLETIC TRAINER

graduate programs in athletic training.

After receiving his MA, Kladnik spent 17 years working Division I schools at Oregon State, Idaho, and some NAIA schools before returning to his alma mater.

What Kladnik likes best about Central is the size of the school and the quality of the program. Plus the interaction with the athletes on a day-to-day basis.

"I hope I can make a difference in people's lives, and help them get better," Kladnik said.

Kladnik started at Central in 2002 and currently has a staff of three people: Assistant Athletic Trainer Kari Gage, Graduate Assistant Meghan Berdis and Teresa Schlafer.

"He is really fun to work with on the field and he is a great teacher when it comes to injured athletes," Schlafer said.

When Kladnik is not taping ankles or helping an athlete with an injury, he is running or reading. Nowadays, Kladnik is spending most of his free time working on starting a MA/ graduate program here at Central.

Central is not the only place where Kladnik displays his expertise. He also helps out professional sports teams such as the Seahawks, Portland Trailblazers and the Sonics next week.

Central currently has no athletic training education program, as it was terminated 10 years ago.

"I feel that's something I want to do to put my mark on athletic training and leave my legacy at Central, having developed this masters program," Kladnik said.

This project still needs to be approved by Central. The first thing he is trying to do is get his terminal degree so Central can hire Kladnik and transfer him over to academics. He still wants to be involved at Central, but wants to train students to go into the profession at a higher level.

There is no Masters program of this kind on the west coast. Central would be the first school to offer this program.

"This curriculum is very unique because it's not physical therapy, it's not medicine, it's kind of in its own realm because it's more about athletic care than general population care," Kladnik said.

Kladnik has 34 years of experience and has been inducted into four hall of fames: Central in 1994, Northwest Athletic Trainers Association in 2000, Oregon Athletic Trainer Society in 2007 and National Athletic Trainers Association in 2002.

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Hustle and hard work drive sophomore captain

by Michael Johnson
Staff reporter

Even without trying, one can't help but notice the physique of 5-foot-5-inch sophomore Jessica Andrews. Toned and fit won't describe her build; instead, imagine sometimes running three-to-four miles a day, biking half an hour, stairs, lifting, treadmill, elliptical and a heavy dose of the video, "I want those abs." Now you get the picture.

The results from her preparation were on display Tuesday in a spring scrimmage against Eastern Washington University. Midway through the first 30-minute period, an Eastern player kicked a ball that found a seam through the back end of the Central defense.

It seemed like Eastern had an advantage, but then Andrews put it in fast-forward and flew to the left back end of the defense, easing the concern of onlookers.

This is just one of the many hustle plays, and efforts put forth by the sophomore captain from Spanaway. She doesn't speak much, but when the captain is faced with speaking to her players about effort, she lets her hard work do the talking.

"At first it was overwhelming because I was a young captain," Andrews said. "But after a couple weeks I could tell the girls respected me because I was trying to lead by example."

Head coach Michael Farrand noticed Andrews' ability when she was playing soccer for a club team out of Tacoma.

"She took an average team to the finals," Farrand said. "She brought other girls to another level; when it comes to the game on the line she's going to compete and grind it out."

Junior Hannah Bridges has often seen the team rallying around her.

"In a game, she would make a big play and it would motivate us, and make us all step up," Bridges said.

Andrews takes losing very hard, knowing that her position is the last line of defense, she takes pride in stopping the opposition. In the event of a loss, the competitor in Andrews can't help but spend nights frustrated, thinking of different scenarios and situations of how things would've played out had she done things differently.

"It's really frustrating when you lose because people say, 'oh that must have been bad defense,'" Andrews said.

But that doesn't stop her from giving it her all; she will do anything to stop opposing teams from scoring, even if it means getting in between the ball.

"I've gotten pretty bruised up," Andrews said.

In some instances, Andrews would leave games with bloody shins and ankles from being cleated by other teams, usually caused by the size and position of

her shin guards.

A junior next year, Andrews' accomplishments go beyond personal achievements. She came in as a freshman, with butterflies, anxiously awaiting a chance to prove she belonged. It began with competing to win a series of fitness tests held every year; this is where Andrews set the mark as a freshman, which helped her earn a starting spot on the team.

A progression in her leadership resulted in the players nominating her as a team captain.

With higher expectations ahead, Andrews hope she can bring the team together in preparation for next season, starting by each of them getting in shape and leading a younger group of players—vocally.

"...After a couple weeks I could tell the girls respected me because I was trying to lead by example."

JESSICA ANDREWS

SOPHOMORE DEFENSEMAN



Caitlin Wollaston/Observer

Sophomore defenseman Jessica Andrews controls the ball near her own goal during a team practice last Thursday afternoon. The Wildcats hosted Eastern Washington for a scrimmage on Tuesday. Central would lose 3-0.



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National Briefs

Sonics' rookies honored: Seattle Supersonics forwards Kevin Durant and Jeff Green were named to the NBA All Rookie Team on Tuesday joining Atlanta's Al Horford, the Los Angeles Clippers' Al Thornton and Houston's Luis Scola.

Seahawks' Pro Bowler Arrested: Seattle Seahawks all-pro linebacker Lofa Tatupu was arrested for DUI in Kirkland earlier this week. Tatupu was going 50 mph in a 35-mph zone and had a blood alcohol level of 0.158, nearly twice the legal limit. Tatupu issued a statement of apology on Tuesday.

"I want to apologize to my family, teammates, the Seahawks ownership and organization, and the fans for making a poor decision and putting myself in a bad situation. I take seriously my role as a leader on this team, and in the community, and because of that I'm disappointed and embarrassed by the level of poor judgment I used last weekend. Thankfully, nobody was hurt. This will never happen again, and I hope through hard work on and off the field to begin earning your respect and trust again."

Bonds indicted, again: Barry Bonds was indicted on 14 felony counts of perjury and one count obstruction of justice, alleging he lied to a grand jury about his steroid use.

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Track team improves on personal bests



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Sophomore sprinter Lionel Orji competes in the 100-meter dash at the GNAC Outdoor Track and Field Championships on May 2.

by Brooke Saul
Staff reporter

Members of Central Washington University's track and field team participated at the Ken Shannon/Ken Foreman Invitational in Seattle last Saturday, while senior distance runner Marcie Mullen went to Western Oregon University to participate in the 10,000 meter race.

Only five people who came to the meet at the University of Washington improved their qualifying times, two of which were from Central.

Senior mid-distance runner Sarah Benson finished fifth in the steeplechase, improving her personal national qualifying (PNQ) time by eight seconds, with a final time of 11:14.82.

"The race was good but it didn't get me in [to nationals]," Benson said. "It was a good race to end on for my senior year."

Sophomore thrower Tyler Fischer in the men's hammer had improvements in his qualifying marks. Fischer placed second with a throw of 177-5, four inches more than his previous PNQ.

Senior vaulter Haley Amos also performed well this weekend. Amos, who owns Central's record in the pole vault, threw a distance of 3.45 meters.

Head coach Kevin Adkisson said that it was Amos' best performance in the last two years. Amos.

"It was exciting," Adkisson said. "She has struggled a bit the last two years."

Thirteen Wildcats received Great Northwest Athletic Conference Academic All-Conference Honors. Athletes

who are letter winners, are in at least their second year of competition and have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.20, are eligible to be selected to the team.

Junior distance runner Kirsten Clarke is one of two Central student-

demically all-conference recognition for the third time are Mullen, Amos, and senior hurdler Stephanie Druktenis.

"I'm very proud; it feels great," Amos said about her achievement. "I have to work hard at track and academic school work."

Amos graduates this summer with a degree in exercise science.

Other Wildcat women selected to the academic all-conference team are junior thrower Becky Scherer, sophomore hurdler/jumper Raquel Gonzalez, sophomore mid-distance runner Stephanie Cooke, sophomore heptathlon Mary Seidler, sophomore distance runner Mary Bakeman, and Benson.

Benson, who usually takes 13-14 credits per quarter, said she spends 10-15 hours on school days for track. When she has a meet, she and the rest of the team wake up at 5 a.m. and ride up to four hours in a cramped bus.

Three men were named to the academic all-conference team, including second-time selections junior jumper Nick Collins and senior hurdler Josh Kirk. Fischer was also named to the team.

The next meet will be held Thursday through Saturday, May 22-24, 2008, at the NCAA Division II Outdoor Track and Field Championships in Walnut, Calif., at the Hilmer Lodge Stadium. The only member from Central going to the championships is Fischer. Fischer finished in 14th place in the discus and the top 16 people from each event moves on to the championships.

"If you're in the top 16, you know you are going," Adkisson said. "[Fischer] knew yesterday."

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athletes with a perfect 4.00 grade-point average.

"It feels good," Clarke said. "I just study hard and balance my time well with work, school and track."

Clarke, who is in her fifth year in school, has run track for the last three years while pursuing a degree in exercise science.

"My motivation to get good grades is to go to physical therapy school ... it's really competitive," Clarke said.

Clarke graduates this quarter and plans on applying next winter to Eastern Washington University, the University of Puget Sound and the University of Washington's graduate programs.

There are 111 total selections on this year's academic team. Receiving aca-

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